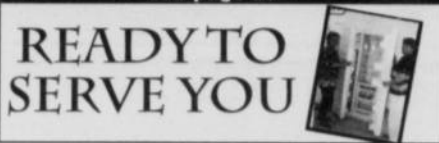


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Solid Waste Authority butting heads again

By Nicole Smith

The proposed transfer stations for Didsbury and Carstairs were back on the table again at last week's meeting of the Mountain View Regional Solid Waste Authority.

And again, the authority was having a hard time making any decisions pertaining to the transfer stations because of conflict with the Town of Sundre representative, Bill Cooper.

The authority is trying to

push the project through because if they continue to delay the process they are in jeopardy of losing a grant for the stations from Alberta Environment.

The window of opportunity for the authority to secure funding from Alberta Environment will be gone by the end of May, so they want to have the projects approved as soon as possible.

What's holding the process up is that the Town of Sundre has given the authority a list of re-

quirements that need to be met before Cooper will give his endorsement, and his vote, to the project. One of these requirements is that a needs assessment be done on the viability of having the transfer stations in Didsbury and Carstairs.

Rick Blair, Town of Carstairs representative on the authority, was not pleased with the Town of Sundre's demands.

"I don't agree with that at all. I don't think a needs assessment

has to be done," Blair said.

"I think it's been stated around this table what needs to be done. I'm fed up with dealing with this thing over and over again and Alberta Environment is fed up with dealing with this over and over again too."

Wes Yeoman, Engineer for the Town of Didsbury, was in agreement.

"I agree with the Town of Carstairs' stand 100%," Yeoman said. "We already know the need. Let's

get on with this."

Authority Chair Don Watt says that the projects need to go ahead, as well.

"I think it's counter-productive to have both municipalities dead in the water ... because we're not satisfying one member of the authority," Watt said.

When the authority asked Cooper his thoughts on the subject, he said that he's going back to his council before he's making

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CESD increases Kindergarten fees

By Nicole Smith

After much discussion about school fee increases by the school board, only Kindergarten fees saw an increase for the upcoming school year.

The board voted unanimously to increase Kindergarten fees in the district from \$21 to \$25.

Other than this increase, no other changes were made to school fees in the school district.

For the 2001-02 school year, Kindergarten fees may see a substantial increase.

The board is looking at upping the rate by 100%, so that parents would be responsible to pay \$50 for their children to attend Kindergarten.

While the board was on the subject of school fees, they discussed the issue of waiving fees in cases of hardship.

If a principal of a school is approached to waive student fees and they deny the request, the parent has the choice to send a formal letter to the school board asking that they make the consideration to waive the fees.

Acting Superintendent Jim Gibbons wondered who would pick up the cost of the waived fees.

A motion was made for the board to consider the establishment of a budget pool for waived fees.

This motion was carried in a 5-4 vote.

Infrastructure grant announced for municipalities

Municipal infrastructure planning will enter the cyber age soon, thanks to a new web-based computer system scheduled to come on stream in 2001. Municipal Affairs Minister Walter Paszkowski announced a \$1 million grant to fund development of this system.

"Municipalities said they need something to help them judge the condition of their infrastructure - particularly the underground systems such as water and sewer pipes," said Paszkowski. "This will be an important tool for municipalities - and the province - as priorities are set for multi-year capital planning."

The Alberta Urban Municipalities Association, which will administer the grant, will work with the Alberta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties and municipal administrators on this project along with provincial departments currently responsible for funding infrastructure programs. "I am pleased that the municipal associations have taken this initiative," said the Minister. "It provides an opportunity to work together on an important aspect of infrastructure management."

The system is intended to deal with roads and related systems, stormwater systems, solid waste management facilities and municipal buildings. Initially, existing infrastructure management systems will be reviewed to see if one can be modified to meet municipalities' needs. Further steps will include pilot testing, system refinement, and addressing training needs.

The Municipal Infrastructure Management System will be of particular value to small and medium-sized municipalities that don't have the technical staff to develop this type of planning tool. The scheduled project completion date is September 2001.

In the courts....

By Robert Magee and Dan Singleton

Drunk driver fined \$750

A 24-year-old man has been fined after pleading guilty to drunk driving.

Travis Quintin Becker pleaded guilty in Didsbury provincial court on May 10 to a charge of driving with a blood alcohol level greater than 80 mg per cent.

Court heard the accused was spotted by the police as he drove on Highway 582 on March 18, 2000. Breathalyzer tests indicated his blood alcohol level was 150 mg per cent, almost double the legal limit.

Judge Frank Maloney fined Becker \$750, which must be paid by August 31, 2000 and handed him a one-year driving prohibition.

Impaired driver pleads guilty

An Olds man pleaded guilty to a charge of impaired driving.

Wayne Murray Hubley, 43, was charged as a result of incidents that took place on March 19, 2000. Crown Prosecutor N. Kelly told the court May 10 that police saw the accused leave the Spare Time Bowl parking lot and roll up to a stop sign at 2:30 a.m., and that when police pulled him over they noticed a strong smell of alcohol.

Judge Maloney fined Hubley \$750, to be paid by Sept. 29, plus a one-year driving prohibition.

Olds man jailed for cheque crimes

A 21-year-old Olds man has been jailed after admitting cashing cheques totalling more than \$4,000 on a former roommate's account.

Tim Hill pleaded guilty in Didsbury provincial court on Monday to nine charges of uttering a forged document.

Court heard the accused cashed cheques totalling \$4,700 at several banks between Nov. 1 and Nov. 16 last year. Each cheque was written on the victim's account in the accused's name.

"It was a stupid thing to do but I'm here to admit my mistakes," Hill told Judge Sandra Hamilton.

The judge sentenced Hill to 90 days in jail, two years probation, and ordered him to pay full restitution.

The Crown withdrew nine charges of forgery.

Man accused neighbour

A Sundre man who falsely reported to police that a minor was drinking in his neighbour's trailer has been ordered to complete community service hours.

Garry Ross Hawryluk, 39, pleaded guilty to a charge of public mischief.

Accused telephoned on April 9, telling officers an underage person was drinking liquor in a nearby residence, court heard. When the officer arrived at the home he found no sign any of the occupants had been drinking.

Hawryluk told Judge Ham-

ilton he would "just get the whole facts before I make a call again."

The accused was a former resident of the home in question, court heard.

The judge handed the accused a suspended sentence, including nine months probation and 10 hours of community service.

Calgary man lead officer on chase

A 43-year-old Calgary man who lead an Alberta Fish and Wildlife officer on a six kilometre chase has been fined.

George Chernishov pleaded guilty to charges of impaired driving and failure to stop for a peace officer.

Court heard the accused drove through a Fish and Wildlife checkstop on Sept. 4, 1999.

The officer gave chase and followed the accused down a gravel road for about six kilometres before the man became stuck in the mud.

The accused admitted he had been drinking at the time.

"It was just a stupid thing to do," Chernishov told Judge Hamilton.

The judge replied, "You should be thoroughly ashamed of yourself."

She fined the accused \$750 on the driving charge and \$350 on the failure to stop charge.

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Didsbury High School moving up in the ranks

By Nicole Smith

According to the second annual Report Card on Alberta High Schools, Didsbury High School has been graded about a C average.

The report, which analyses and then ranks high schools across the province, was recently released to the public.

Out of the 222 schools in Alberta, DHS has been ranked 106, a rather substantial improvement from last year, where it was ranked 147 out of 203.

The way that the Fraser Institute of Studies, who compiles the report, ranks the schools is by the students' performance on diploma exams over the years.

Didsbury's average exams marks have seen an increase over the past three years, with the 1999 average at 62.1%.

DHS has seen a rather large decrease in their percentage of exams failed. In 1999 14.6% of the exams were failed, where as in 1998 23.7% were not passed.

A decrease has also been seen in the school versus exam mark difference, where in 1998 it stood at a 9.7% difference and in 1999 it was 6.8%.

The diploma completion rate has also seen a slight increase from 77.2% in 1998 to 78.6% in 1999.

Overall, DHS was ranked a score of 6.4 out of ten, whereas last year they received a score of 5.

DHS Principal Iain Paton says that he is quite happy with the school's results.

"I'm fairly pleased in the regards that we've climbed up the ladder," said Paton.

"I'm pleased that the numbers are up."

Paton does say that the report isn't an accurate reflection of the schools it rates, as they only take into account diploma exam marks.

"It's a mark based report and mainly on diploma exams," he said.

"They don't look at long term things that happen at the schools."

Paton says that although it is nice to see DHS increasing in the report, it's not the final authority on how good of a school DHS is.

"Do I think it's the be all and end all? No I don't," he said.

"I'm very happy with Didsbury's improvement, but do I think it's everything that has to do with the school? No."

Other schools within the Chinook's Edge School Division were also featured in the report.

Bowden Grandview School ranked 38 out of 222; Hugh Sutherland School in Carstairs was 60 out of 222; Sundre High was ranked 71 out of 222; Olds Junior Senior High School received a ranking of 127 out of 222 and Cremona School was 213 out of 222.

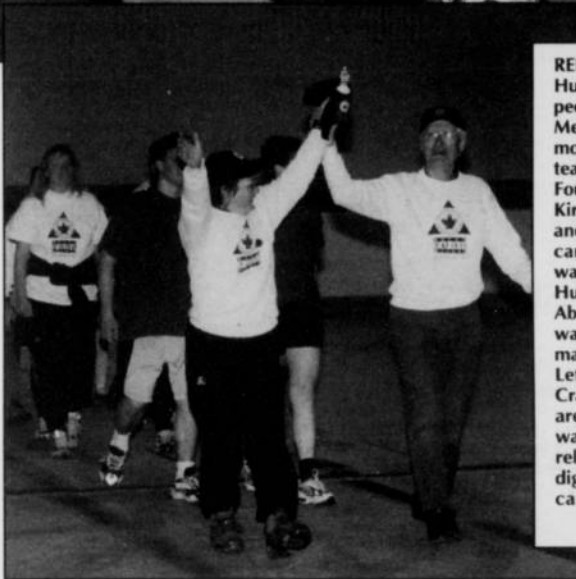


RELAY 2000 HITS DIDSBURY

Hundreds and hundreds of people were on hand at the Memorial Complex last Friday morning when the Relay 2000 team made its way through town. Four locals, Connie Onishenko, Kirsten Phillips, Willard Swalm and Jean Craven were official carriers of the Arctic Ocean water, which is on its way to Hull, Quebec.

Above: Kirsten Phillips hands the water over to Jean Craven as she makes her way to the arena. Left: Willard Swalm and Jean Craven lead the parade into the arena where crowds were waiting to hear speeches from relay team members, local dignitaries and official water carriers.

Photos by Nicole Smith



Mountian View Regional SWA is at it again

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anymore comments.

"We've got to move ahead. We can not sit here and stay here and do nothing," Watt responded.

When it came time to vote on the progression of the transfer stations, Cooper told the authority that he's "not authorized to vote on things having to do with the stations," as directed by his council.

"Maybe you should bring council down so you can vote on things," Blair responded.

Blair moved to accept the short term plan presented to the authority on the transfer station project.

The vote was 5 to 1, with Cooper opposed.

Chair Watt said the motion was carried, even though it wasn't unanimous.

"If we're still going unanimous, we're not going anywhere," Watt said.

"If there's somebody in this authority who doesn't want to come along with us, then we're still going ahead."

Blair agreed, saying "we've been trying to satisfy Sundre forever and we haven't."

"We're being held up by one participant and I don't think that's fair," said Blair.

In a second motion to proceed with a timeline set up by the authority, the vote was again 5-1 with Cooper opposed.

The motion was amended to include an assessment of waste generating rates for transfer stations and equipment sizing and needs be done.

This motion was carried unanimously.

Board bans junior high javelin

... and other school board notes

By Nicole Smith

Too dangerous

The topic of the danger of junior high javelin was on the table at last Wednesday's regular meeting of the Chinook's Edge school board.

A recent publication of Safety Guidelines for Physical Activity in Alberta Schools is suggesting that only Grades 10-12 students be allowed to participate in the javelin event of track and field competitions.

"It's really quite a dangerous sport," said Acting Superintendent Jim Gibbons.

Trustee Stuart Little said that the physical education teachers be talked to about it before any decision be made.

Gibbons said that the request is coming from some of the teachers in the division.

Trustee Ron Fischer questioned whether the event of discus should remain in the program because of its danger factor.

"Maybe we should be taking a look at discus," said Chair Roy Brassard.

The board moved to inform all junior high physical education teachers in the division that javelin be banned from

their programs.

Trustees Penny Archibald and Little were opposed.

Questioning enrolment

When the enrolment figures were presented at the meeting, Trustee Doug Campbell had some concerns.

Campbell was questioning the increase of students in outreach programs in the division.

"When I see a 257 growth in the alternative schools, I have a concern," Campbell said.

Assistant Superintendent Lyall Thompson says that the increase is typical during the students, and that a lot of them are blended students (attending both outreach and formal high schools) and that they are often counted twice.

"I guess it's the nature of the student we're talking about," said Thompson.

Chair Brassard said that at least the students are still in schools and "in the past, we would have lost the students."

Thompson agreed saying "there probably would have been a lot of lost education somewhere."

As far as the decrease in

traditional schools, Thompson says "there could be various reasons why you see enrolment drop in the traditional schools."

Teachers honoured

Three district teachers have been recently honoured as finalists for the 2000 Excellence in Teaching Awards.

Shannon Basisty of Olds Elementary School; Christine Hector of John Wilson Elementary School; and Tracy Ray of Delburne Centralized School each had their names put forward by administrators in their respective schools.

The three, along with their school principals, were on hand last Wednesday to receive praise and gifts from the board.

Summer school

Each year the board offers two summer school programs within the division.

This year, Didsbury and Innisfail will be host to the programs.

The board unanimously endorsed this decision for these towns to host summer school.

OPINIONS EDITORIAL

That same old song



Nicole
SMITH

It seems that every time I attend a meeting of the Mountain View Regional Solid Waste Authority I am treated to the same old song.

The authority is trying to complete the project they started a long time ago by installing transfer stations in Didsbury and Carstairs.

The need for these stations is increasing by the day as the dumps in these two municipali-

ties get fuller and fuller.

Funding has been granted to the authority by Alberta Environment, who is patiently waiting for our authority to get their act together.

The authority has been backing the transfer stations from the get-go, so you're probably wondering, what's the problem then?

It's the Town of Sundre representative who sits on the authority. This gentleman, working on behalf of his municipality, is constantly throwing a wrench into the well-laid plans of the authority.

In the many months that I've been attending these meetings, it seems that Sundre has never been happy with anything the authority has been planning, which is basically, these two transfer stations.

He comes to the meetings with his decisions already made for him. He can't vote on anything until he brings whatever's been proposed back to his council. I applaud Town of Carstairs Councillor Rick Blair for finally asking why he doesn't just bring council to the meetings so that he can actually vote on something.

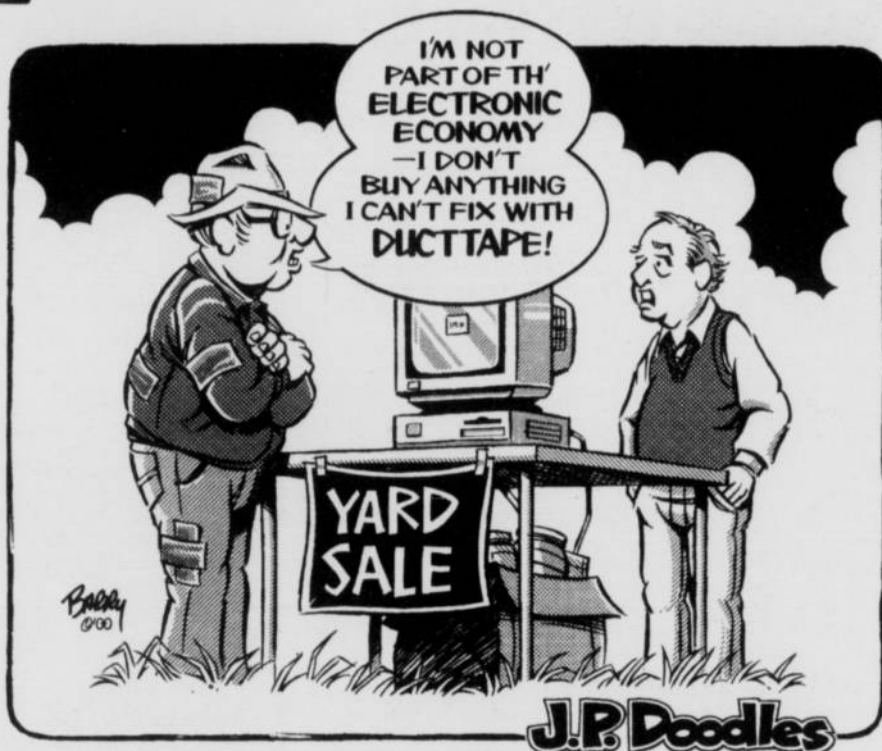
Now the Town of Sundre is requesting a needs assessment be done to see whether or not these transfer stations are necessary. Well, the garbage is piling up pretty good at our local dumps and soon there won't be anymore room for disposal there. You see, there, I just did the needs assessment.

I could understand Sundre's concern if they were being passed over for something they were in desperate need of, but the thing is, they already have a transfer station and speak very highly of the operation. So why not endorse the same operation for other towns?

I feel for the rest of the members of the authority. Their hands are tied because they require unanimous endorsement of a motion before it can be passed. Well, that seems like it's never going to happen.

The authority is made up of representatives from all the municipalities within the county, as well as various members at large. Everyone else on the authority is willing to endorse this project, even though it may not literally affect their town. So why is it that Sundre has to continuously act like a selfish school kid who's pouting because he's not getting his way?

An authority is supposed to work on behalf of and for the people living in that area. It's a team effort and its members are supposed to be team players. Maybe it's time to make some changes to the roster.



Federal Health Minister Allan Rock responds to Bill 11

Following passage of Alberta's Bill 11, Health Minister Allan Rock said that the Government of Canada will be vigilant in enforcing the Canada Health Act and is strengthening its capacity to monitor for compliance with the Act.

"Bill 11 is not the direction in which we should be heading to strengthen our publicly-funded health care system. We have grave reservations about investing public funds in private-for-profit facilities. We will be strengthening our capacity to detect these violations and, should any occur, we will act," said Rock.

The Alberta legislation provides for regulation of contracting surgical services to private, for-profit facilities. Minister Rock has outlined a number of concerns about the legislation in letters to Alberta Health and Wellness Minister Halvar Jonson in recent months.

Repeating a point he made to Minister Jonson, Rock underlined that surgical facilities covered by the Alberta legislation are hospitals under the Canada Health Act. Any charges to patients for

insured health services will be considered a violation of the Act, including the selling of hospital services to an insured person on a private basis.

Rock noted that the legislation did not respond to his recommendation to Minister Halvar Jonson to prohibit private clinics from selling enhanced -- or extra -- services in combination with services insured under the public system.

He noted that he had urged Alberta to follow Legislation in Ontario and Saskatchewan which prohibits such an approach. He said he is concerned that, without proper monitoring and reporting, "queue-jumping" is likely to occur.

The Canada Health Act provides for monitoring and assessment of the way provinces and territories administer the publicly-funded health care system.

If there are suspected violations, federal officials work with the province concerned to gather the facts.

The federal Minister of Health can then determine whether there has been a violation of the Act.

If a violation is confirmed, and the province does not change the practice, the Government of Canada has the power to withhold funds from the province under the Canada

Health Social Transfer (CHST).

"The Government of Canada intends to meet its responsibility to Canadians," said Rock. "Parliament has given us the tools to enforce the Canada Health Act. I will make certain that the principles of the Act are respected in Alberta, and throughout the country."

Minister Rock also noted that he is addressing recommendations raised by the Auditor General in his report last fall on the need to strengthen enforcement of the Canada Health Act across Canada.

Health Canada will increase annual spending by \$4 million, up from the current \$1.5 million, and add staff to improve administration of the Act.

This will enable the Department to better monitor and assess compliance with the Act so that it may be enforced more vigilantly. An additional 25 staff will be distributed in all regions of the country and in Ottawa.

Rock said in the Canada Health Act Annual Report, tabled in February, that "we will work with our provincial and territorial partners to gather and report on more specific information related to matters of compliance with the Act, beginning with the next annual report."

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FROM THE MAILBAG

Not being greedy

Dear Editor,

I would like to respond to the ad PHAA has placed in many total papers. The ad implies AUPE's auxiliary nurses are being greedy and uncaring for not accepting the mediators report.

First and foremost auxiliary nurses are NOT being greedy in their request for a decent wage increase. What we expect is a respectable wage which reflects our knowledge, skills and experience. The employer's (PHAA) offers is insulting. Ten plus years ago an LPN's wage was 75% of an RN's wage. If the general membership accepted PHAA's offer an LPN's wage would be 58% of the current RN wage. Even though LPN's are considered by RN educator's to have 76% of the knowledge, skills and training of an RN.

August 1, 2000 RN's will receive a \$0.95 wage increase this is considered a 3.76 wage increase. If the same \$0.95 is offered to an LPN it would be considered a 6.3% wage increase and a 7.8% wage increase for Na's. Why such a percentage difference for the same amount of money? Because LPN's and Na's wages are low.

The employer (PHAA) has offered Auxiliary nurses shift differential and weekend premiums benefits that would be the same as other health care professionals. It just take us 3 years to achieve that equality the other health care professionals enjoy today.

In Solidarity,
Tammy Graham
AUPE Local 2424
Chapter 4 Chair

Cattle ID program a benefit to producers

Dear Editor,

Re-identification of the Canadian cattle herd does nothing more than re-establish the ability we once had to rapidly identify, contain and eliminate disease. Our forefathers had the foresight to support that initiative more than half a century ago and thanks to them we have a remarkably healthy national herd. Thanks to some of our own initiatives as some of the most productive cattlemen in the world with the finest beef produced anywhere, our foreign markets are growing and every second calf that is born in your herd or mine is exported. I want to help make sure that demand for my product stays strong and that I can continue to sell to confident Canadian consumers and satisfied foreign customers.

That is why I have been surprised to read so many negative articles and letters to the editor in our farm press. All kinds of groundless alarms are being raised about the real purpose of this program. Some believe that their liability will be increased. Others believe that the Government wants this information to check up on how many cattle you own, who you sold them to and for what price. Some even think the banks will have access to the database. Some think this is the first step toward supply management. All of these claims are completely false. Nothing in the database will be of any usefulness to anyone other than the Canadian Food Inspection Agency. CCIA and producers who support this program have no other interest than the protection of the health of our national herd.

I am also aware that there are valid concerns about the program. Many cow-calf producers ask why they should bear the cost of the tags as well as the

nuisance and work of putting them in the ears of their cattle. Everyone beyond the cow-calf producer is a margin operator and this means that all production costs normally get passed back to the cow-calf producer. Because the CCIA Board recognized those valid concerns we developed a much simpler and more cost effective system than is used today in Europe.

In the end those of us who make our living out of the cow-calf business need to weigh the cost and nuisance of national identification against the cost and risk of being unprepared to react to a disease situation that might threaten our export market access and the level of consumer confidence we enjoy among Canadian Consumers. We can take the chance that lightning won't strike here but livestock producers from the UK, from Denmark, from Japan, Korea, Taiwan might offer different advice from recent and costly experience.

I ask cattle producers to throw their support behind this important project. There are no credible conspiracy theories.

There is no invasion of your privacy or right to produce, there are no hidden motives. Our objective is simple and direct - to provide the means necessary to protect the health of the national herd and the assured safety and wholesomeness of the products we are all so proud to produce. We are also protecting our livelihood.

If you would like more information about the Canadian Cattle Identification Program please call the CCIA office at 1-877-909-2333.

Sincerely,
Carl Block
Chair, Canadian Cattle
Identification Agency Board
of Directors

Ponderings of the heart

By Margaret Fradley

Congratulations once again to our graduates, this is a special and eventful time; a time of having reached a goal, yet a time of looking forward. You have come to a crossroad towards your future and you must decide which road you wish to take. What are your dreams? Your vision for your future? The desires of your heart? Think on these things.

Let others make suggestions to you but do not let them persuade you. Persuade something you love to do, that you have a passion for. It may not be what others expect of you, or had even hoped for you. You are an individual. There is a special plan and purpose for your life.

There is an old adage that says "I converged upon a road that led two ways. I chose the road least travelled on." You can now choose. It may be a road least travelled on but you will never travel alone.

Recall all your experiences in life, whether you feel they have been positive or not so positive, for no experience has been in vain. Very often later in life we realize why we had to experience some of the things we did and how they were used for good.

Go for your dreams, Grads, and may God bless you one and all.



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FROM THE MAILBAG

A plan that works

Dear Editor,

This past week's newspapers had two letters to the editor from the same author complaining about the majority of us who would like a choice in marketing our own grain. One letter complained about all the farmers who jammed James Chatenay's District 2 CWB meeting and refused to turn it into the CWB love-in that most of these meetings in other districts always are. Perhaps Mr. Calvin should take this for what it was - the anger of the majority of farmers who are tired of the present secret system, and want some answers from the Corporation that supposedly works for their best interests. The "Farmer Board of Directors", except Mr. Chatenay, who has been the only Director brave enough to work for a Voluntary CWB, has done nothing but become a rubber stamp for whatever the Federal Cabinet and the CWB Bureaucrats want - not the change farmers who elected them asked for. Squashing new generation co-ops like Prairie Pasta and homing in on Organic Grain growers is not change. Most of them have also forgotten it is supposed to be a part-time job and are pulling big salaries now at our expense - one guy is over \$4000 per month!!

The second letter from Mr. Calvin complained that Transport Deregulation will hurt farmers and the only way to save us is to keep things as they are. I have news for Mr. Calvin. Transport Deregulation has been going on since we lost the Crow Rate! When we gave up the Crow we were told that the additional transport costs we would be paying would be more than taken care of by reduced rates due to deregulation. The only deregulation savings that have been allowed by the Prairie Pools and the CWB so far are so insignificant that they are meaningless. Now even the Pools have come on side with farmers asking that the system be fixed, leaving the CWB all alone. This is the problem. It has nothing to do with what is best for farmers, and has everything to do with the CWB maintaining its power no matter what. Unless the CWB whose job is supposed to be marketing not transportation, is placed "at spout", we will never get an efficient transport system for grain. Because all the costs of boats waiting, wrong grain at terminals, railcars parked empty or full on sidings for weeks, moving ships at least four times per load, etc., etc., is paid for by farmers on Board grains, there is no incentive for anyone to do better. If the Board is "at spout", the farmer will cease to pay for screwups once our grain is in the grain company's pit, not when it is in the hold of the ship sailing out of the harbor like we do now. Will this be more efficient? Just compare how much faster and cheaper grain companies ship their own grain than Board grains and you'll see how well things work when it costs them money rather than farmers. We don't need to move to an American deregulated system. Estey and Kroeger have outlined a made-in-Canada one that works. The only reason we don't have it yet is that the CWB and their Federal Cabinet puppet boys Ralph Goodale and Lloyd Axworthy refuse to allow the Board to concentrate on what the CWB supposedly does best - market grain!

Sincerely,
Doug A. Robertson
Carstairs, AB

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Please note these changes to the May schedule effective May 13-31, 2000.

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Municipal Census

The 2000 Municipal Census for the Town of Didsbury is approaching a close. Our enumerators have been working diligently to gather the information that we need.

An accurate census number is important to The Town of Didsbury as we rely on this number for such things as grant dollars that are allocated on a per capita basis. Many other revenues and expenditures are based on a per capita basis as well. These revenues and expenditures affect Town of Didsbury residents greatly.

If an enumerator has not contacted you by May 19, 2000, please call the Town Office and ask for Alana so we can report a true number for our municipality.

New Development Permit Applications

The following Development Permits have been issued for the following proposed developments:

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• HO 10 - 00	1421 - 18th Avenue	Office in the home	R2
• HO 11 - 00	1405 - 20th Avenue	Office in the home	R2

Further information may be obtained at the Town Office, 2037 - 19 Ave. or by calling 335-3391. Persons wishing to appeal any of these decisions must do so in writing to the secretary, Development Appeal Board, prior to 4:30 p.m. on May 31, 2000.

2000 Tax and Assessment Notices

have been mailed by the Town of Didsbury on May . The 2000 Assessment Roll is now open and can be inspected at The Town Office during regular business hours. Any person wishing to appeal their assessment to the Assessment Review Board will be required to pay a fee of \$25.00 per property. This fee will be refunded if the appeal is successful.

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Local producers leery about cattle ID program

By Nicole Smith

About 50 local producers turned out to debate the benefits of the proposed Canadian Cattle Identification Program last Wednesday night.

Mabel Hamilton, a representative from the Canadian Cattle Identification Agency (CCIA) was on hand to give an overview of this new program and to answer any questions and concerns that the producers had. This open house was sponsored by the Didsbury Ag Society.

Hamilton started off her presentation by asking the au-

dience to not "shoot the messenger," as this program has not been readily accepted by farmers across the country.

Hamilton explained that the purpose of these open houses is to clear up any questions people have about the program and to give everyone a good explanation about what the program actually is.

This new program is an initiative of producers across Canada, and is not on behalf of the government.

"It's a health trace-back system," explained Hamilton, saying that 15 reportable diseases

will be monitored under the program.

The idea behind the program is that producers across Canada would be required to buy specialized tags for their animals, which have numbers and bar codes on them. When animals are shipped to packing plants, the bar codes would be swiped and if there is a problem with the carcass the number is pulled the government is notified.

Hamilton explained that a number of producers are concerned about confidentiality, that the government would be able to monitor the number of animals they have in their herd.

She says that the database will be monitored by the CCIA, and not the government, and the producers need not be worried about confidentiality.

"It's only a trace-back for health issues," Hamilton said.

She does admit that the cost of these tags are still too high.

"The cost is an issue," she said. "We're still saying the cost has to be down."

Right now, producers can expect to pay up to \$2 per tag and for producers with a large herd of cattle, the cost is rather great.

Currently there are eight tags that have been approved by the CCIA for this program and Hamilton expects that more will be added to the list soon.

The tags have rigorous testing that they have to go through and have to meet the criteria of being inexpensive, readable by the scanners, tamper-proof, etc.

"We do know we're never going to get these tags so they're going to be 100%. There's still going to be 5%

slippage," she said.

When the producers buy their tags they are required to give their name, address and phone number, which are all put into the CCIA database. This allows the CCIA to be able to contact the producers if any problems are found with their herd at the processing plants.

Hamilton says that the CCIA is hoping to have producers starting to use these tags by Jan. 1, 2001. On July 1, 2001 processing plants will start scanning the animals and that Jan. 1, 2002 is cut off time for producers to have their animals tagged.

She says that no cattle will be allowed in the plants unless they are tagged and if they have to be tagged by someone else, the producers will be billed for it.

One of the things that those in attendance weren't happy about is that the CCIA has nothing to do with enforcement of the program, that is being left up to the government.

After Hamilton finished her presentation on the new program, local producers were given a chance to speak.

Garry Kellsey, owner of Kellsey Cattle Buying, was very vocal about this new program.

"I'm a dealer who has major concerns about how this program will run with the rules that are set," Kellsey said.

"I am major concerned that we are walking into a program ill-equipped with all the plans in place."

Kellsey was one of many who were disturbed that the

CCIA is running the program, but the government is enforcing it. He says that the program needs to be enforced by the industry as well.

"I'm not sure our board is listening to the grassroots," Kellsey said.

He didn't, however, right the program off altogether.

"I agree in principle that we need something. I'm just major opposed to having something without a plan in place."

Hamilton responded by saying, "some of your points I agree with and some I don't. That's life."

One gentleman in the audience expressed some concern about why he has to buy more tags.

"I've already got a system of tagging," he said.

Hamilton said that all the tags need to have a bar code and number on it and that's why producers need to purchase a whole new set of tags.

She reminded producers that they don't have to tag their animals until they are ready to leave the farm.

"You do not have to put a tag in until that animal leaves your place," she said.

Another man in attendance questioned "at which stage do they pick up the diseases in cattle?"

Hamilton says that she's not sure about that.

"If you're not going to find a disease in the packing plant, then why are we doing this?"

Hamilton ended the meeting by saying that more open houses on this new program are being planned, so that producers get a chance to air their concerns about it.

MP Myron Thompson concerned with Canada's future

By Robert Magee

We need a movement to "bounce" the Liberals, says Wild Rose MP Myron Thompson.

In front of a small crowd of nine at the Carstairs and District Half Century Club on May 8, Thompson spoke about the upcoming federal election and how it may affect the country's future.

"The bottom line is we have got to win seats in Ontario or we won't be government," said Thompson.

"The East establishment will once again be in control; the west will be left out. This will not happen if we adopt the Alliance's policy and principles."

Lots of people are signing up with the New Alliance, according to Thompson and Preston Manning.

"We get people saying I'm still a Liberal but I'd like to get rid of (Jean) Chretien," said Thompson.

Thompson addressed the Bill 11 issue neutrally saying he understands the citizens' concerns, but thinks Premier Ralph Klein is heading in the right direction.

"Our premiers are trying to deal with how they can deliver health care, because it is their responsibility," Thompson says.

"Ralph Klein is the only one brave enough to try and find a solution. I applaud him for that."

Thompson also said that unions need to start paying.

"If we get extra money for health care, the unions want 80% of it for wage increases. How are we supposed to help?"

Thompson, an official critic for the penitentiary system in Canada, wants to straighten out the prisons' philosophies.

"I don't understand a person with zero tolerance for drugs, when there is more drugs in there than outside in our communities."

Thompson says that the provincial penitentiaries are "very well run and drug free", but the federal systems "are not choir girls so we've got to

stop treating them like one."

"If we are going to try and get an image out there I want to make it perfectly clear, I'm going to be very vocal," said Thompson.

"I want to put an end to judges telling me and my family how we should live our life. I'm going to be a little jerked when a judge says it's OK to watch and own child pornography."

Every meeting Thompson does, he puts out a questionnaire asking what don't you like about the Alliance party. He says the top two responses are they didn't like the leader and didn't like the negative campaigning.

"People say to me, if you have a new party it only stands to reason you should have a new leader," said Thompson.

"As far as I'm concerned, there will never be another Prime Minister in Canada as good as Preston Manning."

However, he said he is not out campaigning for anybody, but instead thinks "highly" of everyone.

"I don't want to be the deciding factor in your vote," Thompson said.

"Let's see the positive changes begin. That's my speech to (Stockwell) Day, (Keith) Martin, (Tom) Long and Manning. And that's my speech to you."

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Map showing locations: Betty's Place, Rose's Stuff, Esther's Greenhouse, Nola's Country Greetings.

Federal Gun Registry Outreach will push costs over \$1 billion just as predicted, say some

By Sean Casey

Garry Breitkreuz, Member of Parliament for Yorkton-Melville and Official Opposition Critic on Firearms Issues, dropped another bombshell on the Liberal government's beleaguered firearms registration scheme.

Documents obtained from the RCMP reveal plans for an Outreach Program that proposes to hire hundreds more full time staff and pay thousands of so-called volunteers for helping responsible firearm owners complete application forms.

"These documents show that the Minister of Justice has approved up to \$188 more to help each gun owner fill out their firearms applications," revealed Breitkreuz.

"This could easily add another half billion in costs to the \$327 million the Liberals have already wasted on this totally useless gun registry."

A Briefing Note prepared by RCMP Superintendent Mike Buisson, Registrar for the Canadian Firearms Registry, dated September 10, 1999 states:

"The lower than planned application intake levels for both licences and registrations, as well as the unacceptably higher than anticipated error rates in applications is raising concern about the success of the firearms program."

"Finally, the senior bureaucrats in the gun registry are acknowledging a major problem we warned them about over a year ago," said Breitkreuz.

"Last June, the Minister's own group of firearms experts recommended that the licensing deadline had to be extended because the bureaucracy couldn't possibly process all the applications in the time remaining."

Justice Minister Anne McLellan ignored this common sense advice.

I guess she would rather have the whole thing blow up in her face and try to muddle through to the next election.

Then again, maybe she isn't planning to run in the next election?"

Another RCMP document dated November 1-2, 1999 obtained by Breitkreuz describes the registry's dilemma:

"First, the rate of errors made in the completion of these forms has been much higher than predicted; fewer than 1% of Registration Applications and 10% of Licence Applications arriving at the Central Processing Site are without error."

The intake of Licence Applications has been about 10% of the forecast level, and is dropping; the intake of Registration Applications has dropped to less than 30% of the forecast level, and is continuing to drop.

Unfortunately, since Pro-

gram Commencement, all the resources at our processing sites have been fully utilized in processing these very low intake levels due to the high error rate and, to a lesser extent, the relatively-poor application performance, many inefficient processes, and staff inexperience."

"The Liberal's solutions to this quandary are typical: Don't admit your mistake - hire more staff and spend more money," observed Breitkreuz. The Executive Summary explains:

"The Verifier Network Team of the Canadian Firearms Registry is proposing to implement an outreach program based on the existing Verifier Network. The proposal involves paying Firearm Verifiers to assist individuals in completing their Licence and Registration applications, and providing an incentive for those Verifiers to find ways to have applicants come forward in large numbers."

Page 3 of the document explains the magnitude of what the Liberals are proposing: "The Verifier Network is an established hierarchy of nearly 3,000 [soon-to-be-paid] volunteer Firearm Verifiers spread across Canada in a way that is roughly proportional to the density of firearm owners. In the most-recently-proposed organizational structure, there are a total of 21 Provincial Coordinators and Regional Coordinators in place in full-time positions, and this number will grow to 35 when all the positions are filled."

These coordinators will soon be supplemented with seventy to eighty Zone Coordinators who will work at the grassroots level with gun owners, ranges, clubs and hunters' organizations within the communities," Breitkreuz added.

"These new positions are in addition to the nearly 1,500 full time positions that I released to the public last week."

Even the Province of Ontario, which publicly opted-out of the gun registration part of the scheme and has challenged the legislation all the way to the Supreme Court, is cooperating with the federal Liberals:

"The Province of Ontario is piloting the Zone Coordinator organization and has begun hiring 25 people for these positions in Ontario."

The primary objective for having Zone Coordinators in place is to provide local support for the Verifiers in the form of easily-accessible coaching and issue-resolution capabilities, as well as face-to-face visits to track progress and solve problems.

It is proposed to use this Verifier Network, including full-time and part-time staff and volunteers, as the core

of a field-based outreach program in which verifiers will be paid for providing assistance to firearm owners in correctly completing Firearms Licensing and Registration Application forms."

"This new brainwave of an Outreach Program is based on a July 1999 pilot project in New Pelican, Newfoundland, revealed Breitkreuz."

"The document claims this pilot project achieved 'excellent results'. Only a self-serving bureaucrat or a desperate Minister could describe a project that employed 13 bureaucrats to process a total of 100 licence applications and 89 registration applications for a total cost of \$19,782 (\$188 per applicant or \$62 per application) as a success!" exclaimed Breitkreuz.

"And this is over and above the costs of processing the applications once they are sent to Miramichi, NB and then on to the RCMP in Ottawa."

Despite these high costs, the documents obtained by Breitkreuz reveal that Anne McLellan has given the new Outreach Program her blessing:

"Nevertheless, the Minister of Justice was impressed with the results achieved, and has encouraged the Program to follow up on the outreach concept and to find cost-effective outreach methods that will achieve the same, or close to the same results."

Using the additional costs

of '\$188 per client' approved by the Minister, Breitkreuz calculates that it could cost taxpayers between \$470 million and \$1.2 billion to licence the remaining gun owners and register their guns.

"And this is on top of the \$327 million the government has admitted it has spent already and over and above the

average of \$60 million year the government announced they will spend for the next ten years.

Does the Minister really expect anyone to believe that licensing and registration fees will cover this emerging billion dollar boondoggle?" asked Breitkreuz.

"Maybe she's taking lessons from Jane Stewart?"

LAND RELEASE TENDERS

Mountain View County invites tenders for a grazing lease on NW & SW 35-31-5 W5.

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Tenders must include:

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Charity donates cell phones for the visually impaired

By Robert Magee

Everywhere you look nowadays there is a phenomenal amount of promotions selling new, sleek and stylish cell phones.

So what happened to all of those bigger, older cell phones that were so popular when they first came out? Most were just left lying around to collect dust, and some were being thrown out.

Well a new Canadian charity has come aboard to help solve the problem of the health hazardous nickel-cadmium batteries being improperly disposed of and at the same time help increase the security and independence of blind people.

The International Vision Calls Foundation is a charity that collects millions of deactivated cell phones, sells them to recyclers and in turn uses the proceeds to give the blind their own phones.

The charity has numerous collection boxes which are located in the 73 Battery Plus stores across the country. There are currently two Battery Plus outlets in Calgary. One in the Deerfoot Mall and another located at 187 317 7 Avenue SW.

The founder of Vision Calls, Randolph Steepe, said there are an estimated 5.7 million deactivated cell phones in Canada - almost as many as there are active subscribers (6.7 million).

Steepe, who is also going blind, said there will be 1.5 billion surplus cell phones in the world by 2004. He plans to expand the charity's work to 87 countries.

The manager of the Deerfoot Battery Plus store, Rachel Reid, says she is more than glad to help out.

"Yeah, it's for a real good cause, everybody needs a cell phone right?"

The south outlet manager, Preston Cromwell also is excited about the project.

"No question. I think it's better than throwing them out. I mean the blind are not completely handicapped, but they would appreciate the assistance."

Cromwell added that it is nice to be able to give something back to the community because being in retail they don't get a lot of chances to do so.

They currently have 26 de-

activated cell phones donated.

"This is extremely practical. I'd like to encourage everyone to bring their unused cell phones down and maybe help some people out."

According to the International Vision Calls Foundation, there are some 180 million people worldwide with visual disability in need of social or vocational support. Between 40 and 45 million of them cannot walk about unaided. The Foundation says this figure will double over the next 25 years, unless public health action is taken.

The Vision Calls Foundation facilitates three key initiatives: The 2020 Pledge for Sight, the 'Phones for Sight' project, and E.Tel Eyes.

The 2020 Pledge for Sight: "A Cent for Sight" will retrieve 1/100th of a cent from every corporation worldwide that supplies the global citizen with a communications service to retrieve or send voice or data messages via wireless, land lines and Internet in the form of access time.

The 'Phones for Sight' project involves the physical collection and resale of all unused wireless phones in the world.

E.Tel Eyes: "Your E-mail's Voice" will provide the visually impaired with e-mail access via the telephone using patented voice to text, text to voice technology. Vision Calls Foundation will offer a free e-mail address and 30 minutes per month of access time.

Steepe asks, what if the real purpose of the world's international communications networks was to facilitate the elimination of blindness? What if we dared to believe that the welfare of the human race is our cherished mission and the elimination of avoidable blindness our most noble goal?

What if every unused, deactivated wireless phone could be collected and resold in a seamless global network to generate a sustainable wealth creations channel to fund the elimination of avoidable blindness?

As the great Edith Wharton said, "there are two ways of spreading light; to be the candle or the mirror that reflects it."

The Foundation's website is www.visioncalls.com.



THE NEXT KARATE KIDS??

No, they're not training with Mr. Miyagi. Grade Nine students Tia McGovern and Tanya Phillips created a display of Japan as part of the Explore the World unit they studied. The two girls not only had great costumes, but also had an informative lecture and a great skit to show.

News from the Dragon's Den

May Monarch Week was a blur of activity despite a couple of days of nasty weather. This year's King and Queen, Tyson Youngs and Deanna van Dam, were announced at the May Monarch Dance on Friday, May 12. Congratulations to all the students who worked really hard on this year's May Monarch. It was a great success, with the students raising over \$7,300 to go towards next year's school activities. Grade 12's once again prevailed and brought in the most money, but a greatly improved effort was shown by the Grade 10's who brought in the second largest amount. Mrs. Heidebrecht and Mrs. Robertson did a great job keeping track of all the money. We also appreciate Mrs. Wirth's efforts organizing the event. The school really appreciates all the people who supported our events and hired students to work for them. We appreciate the efforts of the parents and teachers who helped to chaperone our last dance of the year.

In last week's write up about the Lip Sync/Talent Show, I forgot to recognize some very important people. Shows do not go smoothly without the people behind the scenes. We appreciate the work that David Kosinski did with the sound and the time Kaja Prokaptz spent setting up the lights. Also, Laure Rivers did an excellent job as emcee of the event.

Nine students from the Cross-

Country Running Team went to participate in the 2000 Bloomsday Run in Spokane, Washington. Darren Henry, Per Nordgren, Erica Blakely, Lisa Dahl, Christi Fillmore, Nicole Plewis, Kurt Toth, Jody Dalziel, and Troy Schwandt all ran the 12 km in excellent times between 1 and 1-1/2 hours. All of the runners could be seen on the three hour television broadcast of the event as very tiny dots among the over 47,000 participants! A great time was had by all. Mrs. Wirth went along to supervise and was indeed able to find all of the participants at the end of the race.

On Friday, May 12 and Monday, May 15, the Grade Nine classes did a good job displaying their efforts in the gym to celebrate the work they did in their Explore the World Unit. Several parents, grandparents, and other DHS classes toured the projects, enjoyed finger foods and watched the skits.

The Grade 12 classes will be getting their last Hepatitis shot in Period 1 on Friday, May 26.

Thursday, June 8 is the day that has been chosen for the annual end-of-the-year concert and BBQ featuring the various DHS bands. Keep this evening open!

Our students are busy getting ready to compete in the county track meets, which we are hosting here in Didsbury this year. The Junior High Counties will be held on Wednes-

day, May 24. The Senior High students compete on the following day, Thursday, May 25. Good luck to the teachers and students organizing and working at the event, as well as all our participants.

Just a reminder to Grade 9 parents and students that the permission forms and money for Grade 9 Camp is past due. If you have any questions about Grade 9 Camp, please call the school at 335-3356.

Also, Grade 9 parents and students, please note that Part A of the Achievement Exam will be held on Thursday, May 25. This is the written-response component of the exam. The test involves two separate assignments. The first requires the students to read short literary selections and then write a narrative or essay in response to some aspect of the readings. The second assignment requires the students to write a business letter to fulfil a specific task within a given context. This mark is used as part of the student's final exam and is then submitted to Alberta Education. Please help us to ensure that your child is prepared to write the exam.

Finally, enjoy the extra-long weekend that we have coming up. There is no school on Friday, May 19 since it is a 9-for-10 day and the school is closed the following Monday, May 22, due to the Victoria Day holiday.



MIGHTY GENEROUS Marion Hemming, on behalf of the Mountain View County Food Bank Society, was on hand at Show and Shine last Saturday to receive a very generous donation. All in all, the food bank was granted a cheque for \$1,042.75 and 600-700 lbs. of food. Harley Seymour, on behalf of the Show and Shine Committee, made the presentation to Hemming.

Mountain View Lodge news

By Annie Caush

Hi all! Well the weather is lovely but a nice rain would be welcome. We had a lovely day for our Auxiliary Tea and as usual it was a huge success. We thank all who came and helped out in any way. I believe just over \$2,000 was raised which will be used for items for the residents. The door prizes were won by Isabel Way and Edith Bolt. The raffle winners were Helen Spicer, Leo Morey, of Cochrane and Cheryl Cardinal, a member of the Lodge staff. Congratulations all!

Recently two of our residents, Dorothy Paton and Laura Watkins, have moved to long term care so we will be welcoming two new residents shortly. In hospital we have Florence Hudson and Doug Burns. We hope they feel better soon.

Besides the tea, we have had some other activities. One day a number of the residents went for a "mystery drive", and ended up

in Three Hills. They reported a pleasant afternoon.

One afternoon last week, the musical group Country Sugar and Spice entertained us. Thanks so much.

On Easter Sunday quite a number of resi-

dents were out enjoying some time with family, but those who were at the Lodge, enjoyed the afternoon church service. Pastor Sue Hertal of the United Church had the service, and was accompanied by Susan Tracy and her Sunday School Class.

FINAL CALL

- Do you have comments about WCB services? The MLA/WCB Service Review Input Committee wants to hear from you.
- Your response to our questionnaire about WCB services is requested by June 15, 2000.
- Surveys are available from 415-0491 in Edmonton (toll-free via 310-0000) or <http://www.gov.ab.ca/lab/new/review/wcbrev.html>

MLA/WCB Service Review
Input Committee
Victor Doerksen, MLA, Chair

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Jackson Women's Institute news

By Noreen Olson

Lois Street was hostess for our April meeting and she chose "Let's All Sing" for our opening song. Roll Call was "a favorite handmade gift" and they ranged from lovely works of art to hilarious gifts from grandchildren. There was even a Tea Cozy that doubled as a Hat!

Dorit Bird is working on a display board to take to Art Shows, Trade Fairs, Conventions. This will show some of the projects and programs that make up W.I. If more people understood what a great organization this is and how we have all grown and learned from our association with it, then our membership would be bound to increase.

Darlene asked that we all estimate our volunteer hours for the past months and President Marie Scott read to us from Federated News. Some thoughts were, Rural women are

the glue that holds a Community together, the Federal Government gives short shrift to Rural Women's Groups, Farm Women are Penalized in The Pension Plan, Revenue Canada needs to broaden the definition of Farmer.

Resolutions for Provincial Convention were read and discussed and we decided again that we could not in all conscience tell our delegates how to vote before they had heard all the arguments for and against.

Last minute plans were made for Constituency Conference and we all expect Convenor Mary Jane Davis to do an excellent job. We were reminded that Jackson will be hostess next year.

Under new business, U.F.A. Farm Safety Day will be held in July and we are invited to send a representative to the Planning Session and to help with the actual Day. We

need a delegate to attend our Provincial Convention in Olds May 26 and 27. Dorit and Elma Bird will share the responsibility and several of us hope to attend at least part time. The Presidents letter was read. Convention theme is "A Celebration of Friendship." She has asked for some stories of a special friendship that she can use at Convention.

One of W.I.s projects is LINKS. Linking Institutes and Neighbors with Knowledge and Skills. We closed our meeting by watching a Video on Adult Literacy and how difficult it is to cope when you

can't read the instructions and don't understand the letters that routinely fill your mailbox. The number of people who are unable to comprehend these things is extremely high but some of us pointed out that part of the problem is that many mailouts are incomprehensible to anyone but the bureaucrat who wrote it and literacy skill might improve if instructions and handouts were written in plain English.

Next meeting will be held at Lita Reid's on May 24. We are having a plant exchange and guests are welcome.

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West Didsbury 4-H News

by Randilee Fisher

Judge it 2000!

On March 24th the West Didsbury judging team competed in Judge it 2000, at the Olds College. Team members were Cassandra Hrabok, Cole Scheidt, Randilee Fisher and Rachelle Fisher. Congratulations go to Jr. member Cole Scheidt who placed first overall, and Cassandra an Int. who placed 8th overall. As a team West Didsbury placed 2nd in the team judging. Cremona & Carstairs also placed in the top 15 teams. Congratulations to all the clubs.

Our club went to Olds Cow Palace for judging in April. Cole Scheidt placed 1st in Jr. hay and Sarah Braun placed 2nd overall in the Int. division.

On May 6th our club did 4-H highway cleanup.

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Local stylist a cut above the rest at recent styling competition

Thousands of people from the hair styling and aesthetics field gathered for the Allied Beauty Association show in Edmonton. Many of the top product lines were represented.

Multiple stages were set up by the product manufacturers and shows were running continuously Sunday and Monday, May 7 and 8, 2000. Professionals demonstrated types of hair styles, colouring and a wide variety of other things that can be done with and to hair.

Wella Hair Care Products was one of the stages represented and they sponsored a competition with three categories - cut and colour, perm and fantasy. These were open to anyone in hair styling who was either in a hair styling school or under two years from time of entering hair styling. Being a creative person, Karen Pederson of Didsbury thought

it might be fun to enter the fantasy category. With only a couple months training and encouragement from friends and family the work began.

First came the concept, then looking around Red Deer, Calgary and Banff for ideas and items to enhance and make the concept work.

She gave it all she had right from concept to conceptual drawings to final product. She had to create the outfit, the back drop, the mask, make-up and hair style.

Scrutinising took place the week before the show to ensure that the models' hair only was used (no hair add-ons or hair pieces). This was the first time she had worked on her model Emily's hair. Three hours elapsed and she was approved for the competition. It looked like great fun until Pederson saw how big the show was and

how many people attended from the hair and aesthetics industry.

Monday morning came with a nervous tension. She was allowed to start at 9 a.m. and her model had to be ready to go on stage at 2:15 p.m.

With imagination strong and fingers flying, she was ready at 2 p.m. There was nothing left to do but wait as all the models were displayed for the public on the Wella stage.

Three judges carefully examined each models hair and design. After what felt like an eternity with nerves fried, Pederson was announced as winning first place for the province in the fantasy category. She travels next year to Toronto for the Canadian finals.

She is currently in Marvel College Hair styling in Red Deer. In the vernacular of the youth today, "Go girl. You rock."

Cremona Lions: Bingo Report

By Charlie Bird and Ken Naidoo

The penultimate Bingo for this season was held May 10 at the Cremona Community Hall. There was a large crowd (over 50) of players who hoped to gain the \$1,527 grand prize. Unfortunately, the prize was not won.

The grand prize was held over for the May 24 Bingo when the jackpot will be a very respectable \$1,644. This prize MUST be won. As a result, we Lions expect one of the largest crowds at this final Bingo. Obviously we must gear up for this influx.

In addition to the huge grand prize, the progressive No. 7 has attained a value of over \$400, and also MUST be won on this date.

It is timely to express our thanks to the many Lions helpers at these Bingos. To mention just a few names, we appreciate the efforts of the callers: Lions Barry, Darryl, Russel and Ralph.

Regulars Lionel and the two Ronnies need to be mentioned. Harvey was always on hand to take care of the Nevada and other duties. Other regulars were Ron Raybould (our "refreshments" man) and Dan Fear (General Supervision). Many were the regular "shift" workers who were on hand for their stints. And we must not forget our Bingo Chairman, Dave Street who accepted being "railroaded", and went on to complete this task in fine fashion. Our apologies if someone has not received due recognition.

So turn out in large numbers and see whether you can win the two large prizes on offer.

The Cremona Community Chest (Concluding Report):

Final figures are not complete, but a very respectable \$22,000 was collected through the efforts of the Cremona Lions, and other community-minded individuals. As you are aware, the Lions spearheaded the collection drive for the past

few years. Leading lights in organizing this (and past) year's drive have been Lions Alton Gano and Lionel Bird.

On a lighter note, one of our newer Lions went to a residence for funds. On leaving, he was bitten by a dog. A recent report indicates that the dog died. (Ha, ha!).

In conclusion, remember our rodeo (Water Valley and Dogpound) fundraisers.



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Mountainview 4-H Dairy Club news

By Sarah Kemmere

Well, Mountainview 4-H Dairy Club is getting into a very busy time of the 4-H year.

Members had a concession set up at the SAHC sale at Olds on April 28.

We were also busy cleaning the highway on May 6.

We have a judging meeting on May

19 Voeggelli's, clipping and show-

manship clinic on May 27 at the

Didsbury Livestock Pavilion, Achieve-

ment Day is on July 4th at the Olds

Cow Palace, Awards Night will be on

July 12 at Rosebud Hall and then the

club will be at Provincials on July 18,

19 and 20 at the Red Deer Westerner.

Hope everyone is busy training

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MYSTERY MAN

Eric Wilson, an author of mysteries for kids, shared some stories and tips with Westglen students last Wednesday afternoon. Wilson has currently published 20 books since starting to write back in Grade Eight.



Words from Westglen School

by Jessica Romanow

After a long (well) deserved Easter break everyone at Westglen is pumped up to finish the school year.

Yearbooks are on sale until May 12. The cost is 20 dollars. The yearbook contains pictures of all students and many candid shots. Yearbooks may be purchased in the Home Ec. room at lunch hour.

The WOW committee is taking a trip to the village square wave pool on Friday, May 12. Buses depart at 5:00 p.m. and arrive back at Westglen around 10:30.

On Wednesday, May 10 Westglen school is hosting "March into the Millennium" in the gym starting at 6:30 p.m. Come help us celebrate over 100 years of Canadian culture and world events. Meet Famous and infamous figures of past and present as we embrace the new millennium.

The "Garden Project" will once again be selling bedding out plants and geraniums to raise money to continue our beautification project at Westglen.

Many of Westglens grade 7 and 8 band students participated at the Celebration of the Arts concert on May 6. Congratulations to all the students that did. The spring band concert will take place on Thursday, June 15 at 7:00 p.m.

The grade 7 and 8 students have begun training hard for track and field. Westglen will be hosting the county track meet on May 24. Rain out day will be May 29. We look forward to seeing you there.

Garage sale vendors take note

Every year garage sales are held in towns and cities across Canada. People often shop for bargains at these sales; however, the bargains could be dangerous.

Safety standards exist under the Hazardous Products Act for certain consumer products, including many children's products.

Everyone holding a garage sale is responsible for ensuring that products, whether new or used, meet all safety standards. Remember, the next time you are planning to hold a garage sale, think safety. You could be held responsible if someone suffers an injury because of a product bought at your garage sale.

The following is a partial list of products that must meet safety standards under the Hazardous Products Act. The hazards identified for these products are meant to draw attention to some of the most common problems. When selling products at a garage sale, it is wise to avoid any item that is not in good condition. Damaged articles should be discarded.

- baby gates
- baby walkers

- car seats
- children's sleepwear
- cribs and cradles
- protective sport equipment

- playpens
- strollers
- toys/lawn darts

The following are some of the most common problems associated with these products:

Baby gates - Baby gates that have large diamond-shaped openings and a large "V" at the top can no longer be sold in Canada. Children can get caught in these openings and strangle.

Baby walkers - Baby walkers with wheels should not be sold or used due to the risk of serious injury from falling down stairs, from entanglement in power cords and from increased access to hot surfaces.

Car seats - Car seats must meet the Canadian Motor Vehicle Safety Standard and carry the compliance label stating the size of the child for which the seat is designed. Detailed instructions and all straps and parts, including the tether strap, must be present. Seats that are cracked or broken must not be sold. Before reselling a used car

seat, check with Transport Canada (1-800-333-0371) to find out if the car seat has been the subject of a recall or repair program and have the seat repaired before selling. Do not use a seat older than the manufacturers recommended date. It is important to know the history of any second hand seat as it should not be re-used if it has ever been involved in an accident.

Children's sleepwear - Loose garments including nightgowns bathrobes, baby doll pyjamas and loose pyjamas are especially flammable if made of cotton or cotton blends. These garments should be made of polyester, nylon or polyester/nylon blends to meet the flammability requirements set out in the regulations.

Cribs - All cribs sold in Canada must meet safety requirements set out in regulations by the Federal Government in September 1986. All cribs sold or imported into Canada prior to that date are considered unsafe and dangerous, their sale is illegal and they must be destroyed! Cribs with visible signs of damage missing parts or missing instructions and warning information must be avoided. Cribs complying with the regulations must have printed on them or affixed to them information that identifies the manufacturer and the date of manufacture. It is also very important that the mattress to be used in the crib is not higher (thicker) than 15 cm (6 in) and that it fits snugly along the four sides of the crib.

Protective Sports Equipment - Protective equipment that is old or that has visible signs of damage should never be used and must be discarded. Hockey helmets and face protectors sold in Canada must meet safety standards set by CSA International. In addition, they should not be used if previously subjected to a major impact, if subjected

to intensive use over two consecutive seasons, if older than five years or if showing any signs of damage. Bicycle and rollerblading helmets are designed to protect the head against a single impact. In addition, because of their light weight, they are relatively fragile. When purchased second-hand, these products are likely not to offer proper head protection and should be avoided. New bicycle and rollerblading helmets certified to meet recognized safety standards are relatively inexpensive and are well worth the investment!

Playpens - Some older playpens may have protruding bolts that can catch on a child's clothing, or may have worn or faulty mechanisms on the folding sides of the playpen. Check Health Canada's website as well as the manufacturer's or call for a list of recalled playpens. If the playpen you are buying has been recalled, be sure the problem has been corrected. Playpen mesh must be small mosquito type. If the mesh has large open holes it won't meet current standards and could be an entanglement hazard. When buying a folding playpen, ensure that all locking mechanisms work and setup instructions are included.

Strollers - Carriages and strollers made before 1985 may not meet current safety standards. The stroller must come with a lap belt, or some safety restraint that is solidly attached to the seat or frame. Ensure the brakes are in working order and the wheels are solidly attached.

Toys/lawn darts - If your toys are in poor repair or broken, they are not safe. Toys with sharp edges or points or those with loose eyes or noses are potential hazards. Toys with small parts are not suitable for children under three years of age. It is illegal to sell lawn darts with elongated tips in Canada.

Write 'em cowboy short story contest

The Western Heritage Centre is pleased to announce the launching of its third annual short story contest, Write 'Em Cowboy. With \$3,500 in prizemoney, this contest is open to two categories: adult, and junior (grades 5-9) and is entry free. The contest is sponsored by Monarch Broadcasting Ltd., the *Calgary Sun*, the *Cochrane Times*, the *Weekly Newspapers of Alberta*, The Stockmen's Memorial Foundation, Ken Hutchinson Architects, McDaniel and Associates, Chapters Bookstores, L.A. Technology and Harvest Country Inn.

Story plots must follow a Canadian western or rural theme, past present or future, and can be fiction, fact or fiction based on fact. Juniors must submit their entire stories. In the adult category, the six or more finalists chosen from submissions received up to September 30, 2000 will write their entire stories at the centre on the weekend of November 4-5.

For details on submissions and other rules, contact Max Foran at the centre at (403) 932 3514.

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Susana Neufeld

Happy 100th!

Susana Neufeld, nee Dyck, was born in Rhineland, Manitoba on May 30, 1900. That same year her family moved to a homestead 14 miles east of Didsbury. Susie started school at the age of seven and even rode horseback two miles to get there.

However, in the years to follow, there was a typhoid fever epidemic which claimed many lives. Susie survived

but had to stay home from school for a year as she was not strong enough to withstand the rigours of school. As Susie grew older she recalls helping drive the team of horses as she and her brothers, Abe, Jake and Peter, and sisters, Sarah, Lizzie, Tina and Mary put up 40 stacks of hay for Pat Burns of Calgary. Her schooling ended at grade eight as she was needed on the farm to milk cows, feed calves, among other things.

At 19 years of age, Susie married Abe U. Neufeld and moved into the town of Didsbury where she raised their four sons, Lawrence, Raymond, Laverne, Ken and daughter Eunice (deceased). She also had two stepsons from Abe's previous marriage, Jacob and William.

It is interesting to note that Susie's two sisters, Tina and Sarah, also married Neufelds - two of Abe's brothers, Cornelius and David.

Abe and Susie and family attended the Zion Evangelical Missionary Church from its early days as a Mennonite Church, and she recalls the revival meetings where she committed her life to serving God. She prays ceaselessly for her children, 15 grandchildren, 35 great-grandchildren that they would understand God's love for them.

After her children were grown, Susie worked at the Didsbury Hospital for many years. She had an artistic flare which was revealed in her oil paintings, embroidery work, crocheting and ceramics. She loved to create things from the rocks and driftwood she collected. Her family loved the many traditional Mennonite recipes she was always cooking up such as Easter Paska, New Year's cookies (Portzelky), double buns (Zwieback), borscht and fruit soup (Pluma Moos).

Although her husband passed away in 1965, Susie continued to live a very independent life in her own home until the age of 96. She never drove a car, so often she'd be seen walking uptown to do her business. Didsbury was her home, as she felt secure among her many friends, church family and town life. She could often be seen at local horse shows and hockey games cheering on the home team.

To celebrate Susie's 100th birthday, her children are hosting an open house tea in her honour at the Linden Nursing Home from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. on May 27. Everyone is welcome!



Midway School

A Penny for your Thoughts

The Midway Community School students have been collecting pennies throughout the year for the Rosebud Health Foundation.

At the end of June the kids will hand over their rolled pennies to the foundation to help the Didsbury Hospital purchase an item that is needed.

Each year the students vote on where to donate the money. Last year they used it to help build a new playground for their school. In previous years they have donated it to STARS, animal shelters and other charitable organizations.

"I think it's great," said Elaine Shultz, the secretary and teachers assistant for the school. "They are learning a big responsibility that there are people out there to care for."

Grades one to three teacher Ruth Roedler echoed her sentiments saying "every little bit helps and they are learning how to share."

Seniors Lodge on the Rise

There are plans to build a Seniors Lodge in Didsbury by 2003. The Mountain View Management Board (MVMB) is currently fundraising to put up the estimated \$3 million needed to build the lodge.

Judy Kaupp, chair of the MVMB and the Didsbury Lodge Committee, says the town is in need of a senior's lodge and thinks that a lot of people will benefit by it.

"It's actually been in the works for a long time," says Kaupp. "The MVMB has made a commitment for building a lodge in Didsbury."

Currently there are lodges in Sundre, Carstairs and Olds, but only a manor for seniors here in Didsbury. That is located next to the condominiums by Ross Ford Elementary School.

"This new lodge will have a 24 hour work staff, so someone is always there on supervision," said Kaupp. The 40 plus units will provide all meals and entertainment, and will even include a little hair salon and laundry room where the residents can do their own laundry or have a staff member do it.

"This is good because right now the people who are in need of housing have to go to elsewhere in the county, or even out of the county. We are also looking at ways to accommodate mid to high income seniors, as well as low income seniors."

The Town of Didsbury is donating the land for the project. They plan on using the empty field right behind the hospital overlooking the camp ground. There will be an open house coming up on Wednesday, June 14 in the Multi-Purpose Room from 7:30 to 9 p.m.

"It's going to be an information night where we can exchange ideas with the public," said Kaupp. "We want to hear from the public. That's very important."

Donations can be sent to Box 399, Didsbury AB, T0M 0W0. For information call 335-8404.



Judy Kaupp

Spring Cleanup!

Padnoma Support Services and the Didsbury Lions Recycling Depot have teamed up together on an annual two week project that will benefit everybody.

For the next two weeks the staff at the Recycling Centre will come to your home and haul away your junk for you. The cost is a small donation which will go to the clients at Padnoma.

"It goes into a fund which is used towards special holidays or certain items they may want, such as a colour television or appliances," said Tom Lindl, a support officer from Padnoma. Lindl says they don't put any limit on the donation, but instead it is "whatever they feel is fair."

The group will even arrange to come to your house at a convenient time, whether you choose to be home or not.

"I think it's great," says Lindl. "This really works towards having the clients involved in the community. That's beneficial for them and the community."

The Recycling Depot is open Monday to Friday from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m., although people can drop off items such as paper, tin cans and milk jugs into the bins outside anytime. Phone 335-8193 for more information.



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Foodgrains Bank sends \$11.4 million overseas

People suffering from food shortages in Ethiopia and North Korea will soon be the beneficiaries of \$11.4 million in Canadian food assistance that will load at ports in Montreal and Vancouver this week.

Canadian Foodgrains Bank, a Winnipeg-based Christian charitable organization that provides food aid and development assistance to food insecure people around the world, has cleared its bank of all donated grain in order to provide 25,695 tonnes of emergency food assistance to the people of Ethiopia and North Korea. Assuming the weather cooperates, both these vessels will leave Canada by the end of the week. Both these shipments are supported by the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) which is providing 80 per cent of the funding.

The merino vessel "Dimi P" filled with food aid for Ethiopia is expected to begin loading out of Montreal by the end of the week.

Canadian Foodgrains Bank members have made financial commitments of about \$7.4 million that will allow for the purchase and distribution of 13,595 tonnes of Western Canadian Red Spring wheat to

people suffering from devastating drought in both the Northern and Southern regions of Ethiopia. The World Food Programme (WFP) estimates more than eight million people are facing severe food shortages.

"This food assistance is certainly timely and will help save lives in Ethiopia," said Sam Vander Ende, East Africa representative with Canadian Foodgrains Bank, based in Addis Ababa. "The church has a role to play in responding to people in need and through the long-term relationships our members have with people in Ethiopia, we are well-positioned to help. I am glad to see Canadian Foodgrains Bank and its many supporters taking initiative to increase support to Ethiopia over and above what is normally provided."

In addition to the food assistance being provided by Canadian Foodgrains Bank, this vessel will carry 9,000 tonnes provided by the Canadian International Development Agency and another 4,930 tonnes being shipped on behalf of other non-governmental agencies working with hungry people in Ethiopia. When fully loaded, the "Dimi P" will carry 27,525 tonnes of

Western Canadian wheat to those in need. The vessel is expected to arrive for off-loading in Djibouti towards the end of May.

In the Port of Vancouver, Canadian Foodgrains Bank will load another significant shipment of Canadian wheat for the people of North Korea. The marine vessel "Kom" could begin loading its 12,500 tonnes of wheat Wednesday and be on its way to North Korea by the end of the week.

Canadian Foodgrain Bank has been the largest Canadian provider of food assistance to North Korea since the country first appealed for international assistance in 1998. The people of North Korea - particularly young children - have been suffering from significant food shortages resulting from a series of natural disasters and a crumbling economic system that has left the country's agricultural and industrial sectors in shambles. The World Food Programme estimates North Korea's food deficit in 2000 at about 623,000 tonnes. The Canadian \$4 million shipment of wheat provided by Canadian Foodgrains Bank will be targeted to families and distributed through North Korea's public distribution system.

Sons of Norway news

By Noreen Olson

Because of the holiday long weekend we were a small group for our April Meeting and President Leif Terner chose to dispense with ritual and keep the meeting informal. We welcomed one guest Joyce Wigg from Huxley.

Treasurer Thordis Kamp presented the Budget for the coming year and it was approved. Correspondence included Fabulous Fourth Footnotes and Information on the Leif Erickson Memorial Wall in Trondheim hat is made up of plaques engraved with names of Norwegian Immigrants. There was a letter from The Prairie Costume Society of Calgary and a charming one from Ruby Bruniski's granddaughter, Rayanne Olson. Rayanne requested that we sponsor her to Trollhaugen Camp and even included a Norwegian joke to brighten our day.

Convention information reminds us of the walkathon, proceeds to go to Sons of Norway Humanitarian Fund and we made note of the resolu-

tions that will be presented and the costs involved in registration and accommodation. It was moved that we raise the amount of money that we have been allowing our delegates. The motion was carried.

Social Director reported on the Flag Raising to be held at Ternings on the 13 of May. Cultural Director told us that the Rosemaling Day in Innisfail went well and a lot was accomplished. Counselor gave a report from the Executive meeting. We voted to send donations to Sons of Norway Foundation in

Canada in memory of Hack Howden and Dave Forseman.

Our summer outing will be a trip to Red Deer to see the Laft Haus, a tour of the Red Deer Museum and our usual picnic in an appropriate park. Date has been set for the Torske Dinner 2001, it will be Jan. 28. Our collection of supplies had become more and more cluttered and a committee of volunteers will meet to tidy them up.

Announcements and Thank You's were made under Good of the Order. Next meeting will be at Ternings, May 13, 4 p.m.

4-H Steer Show and Sale news

The Carstairs & District 4H Steer Show & Sale will be held Wednesday, May 31 in the Carstairs arena. The show starts at 11:30 a.m. with the five participating clubs being West Didsbury, West Carstairs, Cremona, Prairie Partners and Big Sky.

If your time permits, we invite you to be a part of our day. Our supper starts at 5 p.m. which we hope you will be able to attend, followed by the sale at 6:30 p.m.

Avoid a summer tragedy

By Dr. Charles Tator

Summer is such a wonderful time of year in Canada -- a time for boating, swimming, biking and roller blading. It's also a time for terrible injuries, when families are torn apart as the result of a preventable tragedy.

Thanks to the TD Bank Financial Group, sponsors of the "TD Think First For Kids" program, we're getting the word out to young people and parents that accidents resulting in terrible injuries or even death are preventable.

The Think First program was conceived as a way to educate children about injury prevention. Through curriculum-based classroom instruction created by the Think First Foundation, children learn in school how to play and act safely to avoid brain and spinal injuries. It is my belief that 99 per cent of all injuries can indeed be prevented. Teaching the simplest Think First rules to children can protect them from turning summer fun into summer tragedy.

This summer, we want as many young people as possible to hear the mes-

sage and think before they act -- before it's too late. Each year, beginning in spring, we begin to see the first of many brain and spinal cord injuries from diving. Each year, over 37,000 new brain and spinal cord injuries occur, costing the medical system as much as \$4 million for one 10-year-old child.

The focus of the TD Think First For Kids program is children in Grades 1-3. We've chosen that age group as it's crucial that young children and their parents develop think first habits as early as possible. When children grasp prevention at an early age, "Think First habits" become part of their everyday behavior. Our research shows beyond a doubt that children have insufficient knowledge about how accidents occur or how to prevent them. We also know that children can reduce the risk of brain and spinal cord injuries by participating in the program.

Our program and the prevention of life-threatening injuries are by no means limited to young children. The most common cause of death in children and adults under the

age of 44 is not cancer or heart disease, but trauma resulting from a preventable injury.

It can happen to you and it can happen to your child. In a split second life can change forever. Don't find yourself wishing you had taught your children to think first before they act. Teach them today.

Before you go near the water "Think First"

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- never run on a dock
- never go in a boat with someone who's been drinking alcohol
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Bancroft WI news

The May meeting of the Bancroft Women's Institute was held at the home of Pat van Tetering. After the singing of "There Are Smiles", members repeated the creed and flag salute.

Debbie Swanson and Susan Page reported on the

Farm Safety Workshop planning meeting held in Olds. The workshop will be held at Olds College, July 4 for young people ages six to 15.

A new toilet facility will be erected at the north end of Midway Community

park with assistance from the County. There was some vandalism at the park May 6, when some young people destroyed a picnic table and scattered debris. Police were called and brought order.

Bancroft W.I. will serve at the July birthday tea at Didsbury Auxiliary Hospital. They will sponsor a

prize for the top blue and white flower arrangement at the Lone Pine flower show.

The Alberta Women's Institute conference will be held at Olds College May 26 and 27. Resolutions being presented at the conference were discussed and delegate Susan Page given guidance in voting.

Elsie Brander reported on the Wild Rose Constituency Conference. Debbie Swanson gave an Agricultural paper on Foot and Mouth Disease.

A Life Membership in Bancroft Women's Institute was presented to Catherine McNaughtan for her years of service to W.I.

For a bit of fun, Elsie

Brander held a word contest based on Mother's Day. Winner was Susan Page. Joan Patterson was recipient of the hostess tea prize.

The June meeting will be an educational outing to the Innisfail museum, other points of interest and lunch. If you are interested contact Debbie Swanson or Jean McCulloch.

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Focus on the Family



James C. Dobson, PH. D., is founder and president of Focus on the Family, a non-profit organization dedicated to the preservation of the home. Dr. Dobson is married, the father of two grown children, and resides in Colorado. For 14 years he was an associate clinical professor of pediatrics and the university of Southern California School of Medicine, and served for 17 years on the attending staff of the Children's Hospital of Los Angeles.

QUESTION: I am suspicious that my 16-year-old son may be using some kind of illegal drugs. He's just not himself lately, and his friends are some of the weirdest guys you ever saw. Can you summarize the most common symptoms of drug abuse for me? What should I look for?

DR. DOBSON: A complete answer to that question would fill a book, because there are so many illegal substances on the market today, and each has its own characteristic "fingerprint." But there are eight common physical and emotional symptoms you might look for in your son. 1. Inflammation of the eyelids and nose is common. The pupils of the eyes are either very large or very small, depending on the kind of drugs internalized. 2. Extremes of energy may be evident. Either the individual is sluggish, gloomy and withdrawn, or he may be loud, hysterical and jumpy. 3. The appetite is extreme — either very great or very poor. Weight loss may occur. 4. The personality suddenly changes. The individual may become irritable, inattentive and confused, or aggressive, suspicious and explosive. 5. Body and breath odor are often bad. Cleanliness is generally ignored. 6. The digestive system may be upset; diarrhea, nausea and vomiting may occur. Headaches and double vision are also common. Other signs of physical deterioration may include change in skin tone and body stance. 7. Needle marks on the body, usually appearing on the arms, are an important symptom. These punctures sometimes get infected and appear as sores and boils. 8. Moral values often crumble and are replaced by new, avant-garde ideas and values. Let me caution you that some kids are able to hide their drug use better than others. You might stop by to see the officer in charge of narcotics enforcement for your local police department. He or she may be able to give you more specific information applicable to your son.

QUESTION: What about snooping through my son's room to see what he might be doing? Do you think parents should do that?

DR. DOBSON: There are definitely times when mothers and fathers need to conduct their own quiet investigation, even though it might invade the privacy of the teen-ager. This issue was discussed widely in the media some years ago when comedienne Carol Burnett discovered her teen-age daughter was a drug user. When the problem finally came to light, Carol was regretful that she hadn't taken steps to inform herself of what was going on. She appeared on many talk shows to say, in effect, that kids desperately need their parents to "catch them" in a moment like that. Don't let your respect for their privacy cause you to stick your head in the sand and fail to notice what is going on right in front of you. I strongly agree. Of course, parents have to "know" their children, too. There are some who would never do anything illegal or harmful; it's just not in them. In those cases, I would not recommend snooping through their room and private stuff. But in situations where a secretive boy or girl is doing suspicious things, running with the wrong crowd, and then demanding utter privacy at home, I would gather whatever information I needed in order to know how to respond.

QUESTION: My 14-year-old boy is flighty, mischievous, irresponsible and lazy. If I don't watch him very carefully, he'll find ways to get into trouble — not really bad stuff, just stupid kid behavior. But I'm afraid I could lose him right at this time. What can I do to keep him on track?

DR. DOBSON: It is most important to keep your rambunctious youngster moving. If you let him get bored, he'll find destructive ways to use unstructured and unsupervised time. My advice is to get him involved in the very best church youth program you can find. If your local congregation only has four bored kids in its junior high department and seven sleepy high-schoolers, I would consider changing churches. I know doing that could be disruptive to the rest of your family, but it might help save your volatile kid. This can be done not only through church activities, but also by involvement with athletics, music, horses or other animals, and part-time jobs. The hope is that one of those options will grab his fancy at some point, and his energy will be channeled into something constructive. Until then, you must keep that energetic kid's legs churning!

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Last week the Didsbury Youth Club was fortunate enough to receive large donations from two community groups. A \$1,000 cheque plus man hours was donated by Elks President Terry Stevenson and a \$500 cheque and man hours was presented by Didsbury Lion Fred Morrish. This money and man hours will go towards a playground the club is working on.

South-West Didsbury news

By Bessie Eckstrand

Sympathy of the West area goes to the Young & Seymour family of Cremona and Calgary as Mother and wife Laura Seymour (Young) passed away April 26, 2000 in Calgary, AB. Funeral Services were held at Mountain View Funeral Home - 17th Ave. S. at Garden Road on Monday May 1. Officiating was Rev. Frank Cummins of Cremona Congregational Church. Interment took place in the "Garden of Apostles," Mt. View Memorial Gardens. A time of Fellowship welcomed the Family at Mountain View Funeral Home.

Laura was born in Crossfield. Sept 6, 1922 she married Duncan Young at Cremona, raised eight children: Lucille, Sylvia and Lila, Norman, Neal, Elgin, Vern and Delbert. Delbert passed away while quite young.

The coffee pot was always on, times were hard and sometimes it was only biscuits for visitors, but everyone was welcome. Duncan passed away and she married Seymour and has lived in Calgary for 27 years. Laura

hadn't been too well the last few years, and will be sadly missed by family and friends.

Knox U.C.W. hosted the April 14 Birthday Party at Didsbury Hospital (Unit 4) Nursing Home. Residents appreciated the Old Time Piano Music by Bev Felker. Two lovely decorated birthday cakes made by Audrey McDonald, and also appreciated the Cloth Chicks presented to Unit 4, by an anonymous gentleman on Easter Sunday.

Twenty-eight ladies and 10 children enjoyed the May 10 morning Brunch at Westcott Hall. Fresh flowers decorated the lace covered tables. Ladies brought their baby pictures (and I must say) most, some of 70 and 80 years ago, were quite cute.

Muffins and coffee cake and mixed nuts was enjoyed but all

and was hosted by Wanda Weber, Diana Coney and Bessie Eckstrand.

There will be no more parties until October. One visitor was Tammy Fawns and her son Micheal of Viking, AB she is a sister in-law to Kson Fawns of Westcott.

The Spring Teas at Knox Church and Hospital Volunteers were well attended and all enjoyed the things for sale, lunch and visiting with friends.

Date to note Saturday June 3 at 10 a.m. Westcott W.I. will host a garage sale at the home of Wilma Rinehart at College Green (west side).

A fair bit of moisture has fallen this past week (rain and snow) and has been most welcome, will be great for the pastures and hay land, but isn't very good for the calves.

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Middle School Milestones

Stubborn Harry

By Allison McCoy

"Always remember night mares are not true," Harry announced at the end of his report. "That's what you think," George

protested. "Now let's let Harry do his report please," the teacher announced.

Harry was the schools adviser and gave great advice especially when it came to nightmares. He had never been wrong in his whole life. George was the

school bully and picked on Harry because he was a nerd.

After he was done his report the lunch bell rang. On his way to the cafeteria George stopped him. "What do you think your doing?" he asked sarcastically. The

rest of the day Harry was hungry. On the way to class Harry stopped and thought "last night I had a dream that I would have my lunch stolen, could this mean I've been wrong."

Later that night when Harry dreamed that the next day he would have substitute teacher. The next day Harry didn't have

a substitute. "Huh, I knew I could never be wrong." But little did Harry know that his identical twin brother Alex was being taught by a substitute teacher. So that proves Harry wrong again.

Harry was furious with rage and finally realizing he had failed himself had to ask his parents for advice.

That night he asked his mother. Harry asked his mother everything that had happened to him. His mother said, "No one in this world has ever been always right." "Really," Harry asked. "Really," Harry's mom replied.

The rest of his life, Harry never ever was too high on himself.



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Take Care of Passengers During Spring Road Trips - Buckle Up

Warm weather and driving go hand in hand. Road trips are best enjoyed when the sweet smells of spring are in the air. While you may take advantage of the weather to give your vehicle a much-needed wash and wax or a seasonal tuneup, safety concerns also should be at the top of your "to do" list.

As more motorists enter the roadways for warm-weather fun, there are greater opportunities for fender benders from distracted drivers. Your best way to be prepared is to safely buckle up passengers, and follow the safety instructions provided by the American Automobile Association (AAA) when taking the car out for a drive.

Safety belts supplemented by air bags provide the best available protection during automobile crashes. However, there is a wide fluctuation in the percentage of drivers who actually are using safety belts. Federal regulations now require that all new cars come equipped with passive restraint systems for the driver- and front-passenger seats. This system can be either an air bag or automatic safety belts - neither of which requires any action by the vehicle's occupants. Becoming aware of these passive restraint systems can be your best way to improve safety while driving.



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*** Protect expectant mothers** - Studies show that pregnant women are far safer if they are

protected by lap and shoulder belts.

*** Protect small children** - Car crashes continue to lead all other causes of injury to small children and adolescents. Proper use of child-restraint systems will help keep them safe in an accident.

*** Belts keep passengers in place** - In violent crashes, unbelted back-seat passengers can be thrown into the driver's compartment, injuring themselves and others. Unbelted occupants also can push the driver away from the steering wheel, making it impossible to control the car.

Use Proper Products When Spring Cleaning Your Car

Ah Spring! The birds are singing, the trees are budding. But your car doesn't look to thrilled. It's been a long, dirty winter, although nothing a good spring cleaning can't fix. The question is: where do I begin and with what? Car Care Council of the Automotive Industries Association of Canada warns that the wrong cleaners can do more harm than good.

Let's begin with the exterior. For years the cleaner of choice by many of us has been dishwashing liquid or other household detergents, which is handy and relatively inexpensive. The experts tell us, however, that these products often are far too concentrated. On newer cars, they emphasize, the clear-coat finish can be dulled with improper washing. Most manufacturers of car cleaning products now offer special products for washing, cleaning and protecting the vehicle exterior with the new type finishes. The wrong cleaner or wax can dull the clear-coat finish.

Along with winter muck, tires and wheels also get covered with brake dust. This black dust, prevalent with the new non-asbestos disc brake pads, can be difficult to wash away, according to the Council. New products made specifically for wheel and tire cleaning, speed the clean-up process without damaging the bright finish on wheels.

If it seems there's a specific cleaner for every

inch of your car, you are correct. Even the vinyl top is at risk if you apply the wrong product. Many owners make the mistake of using interior cleaners on the vinyl top.

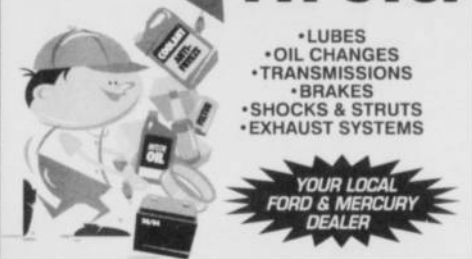
Although this mistake is not irrevocable, applying the right products the first time will save elbow grease, money and possibly, your top.

Like the outside of your car, there are certain materials that are specifically recommended for the interior. For example, you want a vinyl upholstery cleaner that not only cleans but also protects material from cracking.

And you may need fabric and carpet cleaners designed to attack the specific stains in your car. There are two basic types of stains: protein and oil/grease type can be removed with heavy-duty shampoo containing degreasing agents. Be sure to give these chemicals time to work and remember always to work a stain from the outside in. Floor mats can be cleaned in the same way, finishing with a good shampoo.

Windows are pretty much dessert when it comes to spring cleaning your car. Still, the Council does offer a couple of hints. First, use your favorite commercial glass cleaner. If smudges and road film persists, try rubbing alcohol to cut through to the shine, don't get any on the paint. And remember to clean all the glass on the inside as well as outside.

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Environmentally Friendly Auto Maintenance

Car Care is a win-win situation says Car Care of the Automotive Industries Association of Canada. Besides helping the environment, a properly maintained and operated vehicle runs more efficiently, is safer, and should last up to 50% longer. The following tips can put you on the road to environmentally conscious car care.

• Keep your engine tuned-up - a misfiring spark plug can reduce fuel efficiency as much as 30%. Follow the service schedules in the owner's

manual. Replace filters and fluids as recommended.

• Check tires for proper inflation. Under-inflation wastes fuel - the engine has to work harder. Wheels that are out-of-line (as evidenced by uneven tread of vehicle pulling) also rob energy. And, properly maintained tires last longer, meaning fewer scrap tires to be disposed of.

• Do-it-yourselfers, dispose of used motor oil, anti-freeze/collant, tires, and old batteries properly. Many repair facilities accept these items. Or call your local government for recycling sites. Never dump used oil or anti-freeze on the ground or in streams.

• If you are not a do-it-yourselfer, find a good technician. Ask friends and associates for recommendations. Check the shop's reputation with your local consumer group.

• Keep your air conditioner in top condition and have it serviced only by a technician certified competent to handle/recycle refrigerants. Air conditioners contain CFCs - gases that have been implicated in the depletion of the ozone layer. These gases can escape during improper service and repair, so it's important to choose a qualified technician.

Good driving habits are also important. You can get the most out of your vehicle while minimizing environmental damage. Here are some fuel-saving tips:

• Drive gently. Avoid sudden accelerations and jerky stops-and-go's. Use cruise-control on open highways to keep speed as steady as possible.

• Avoid excessive idling. Shut off the engine while waiting for friends or family. Today's vehicles are designed to "warm up" fast, so forget about those five-minute warm-ups on cold winter mornings.

• Remove excess items from the vehicle. Less weight means better mileage.

• Plan trips - consolidate daily errands to eliminate unnecessary driving. Try to travel when traffic is light to avoid stop-and-go conditions. Join a car pool.

Remember, how your car runs, how you drive it, and how its fluids, old parts, and tires are disposed of effects your vehicle and the environment.



Fluid Leaks Threaten Car's Dependability

Remember the anxiety you felt the first time you noticed that puddle of water under your car at a rest stop during vacation? What a relief to discover it was only condensation from the air conditioner. That's about the only kind of fluid leakage that doesn't warrant concern, says Car Care Canada of the Automotive Industries Association of Canada. Any other drip or puddles are omens of potential care trouble, even a safety hazard.

A common practice is to put up with a minor leak until it's convenient to get it fixed, especially when you are away from home. Delaying such repairs, which often involve nothing more than tightening a hose or replacing a gasket, can be costly.

The best way to find and/or prevent leaks is to keep the engine clean and check under and around the vehicle properly for spots indicating leaks.

Keeping gaskets, hoses and connections in

good condition will prevent most of such problems from occurring.

In your own driveway it's relatively easy to locate and identify a leak. At night you can spread paper under the suspicious spot for closer scrutiny the next morning.

In a rest stop or parking lot, however, you first have to determine if the leakage actually has come from your vehicle. It could be from the one which previously sat in that place.

Your next challenge: to identify the fluid. Colour and texture are your main clues.

Check fluid levels frequently on a long trip, especially if there is a possibility of a leak.

CAUTION: Never remove the radiator pressure cap when the engine is hot. You could be scalded.

No one particularly wants to look for trouble on a long trip, but an occasional check under the hood and around the car at a rest stop may prevent real trouble down the road.

- Green or Yellowish water near the engine is **antifreeze**.
- Red fluid comes from the **automotive transmission or the power steering** (although they are not the same).
- An oily liquid, usually without much colour but with a pungent odour, is likely to be **brake fluid**.
- A thin fluid smelling like **gasoline** probably is just that.

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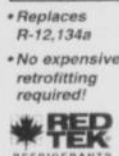
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Didsbury Appliance meets all your household needs

By Nicole Smith

Customer satisfaction and quality products are the name of the game for the new owner of Didsbury Appliance Centre.

Lorraine Maloch took over the business on May 1 and has been busy ever since.

Maloch, who also owns an appliance store in Calgary, has been involved in the business for two years.

"I have a viable working business in Calgary," she said.

At her new Didsbury location, Maloch is focused on sales of new and reconditioned appliances, including everything from fridges and stoves to dishwashers and dryers.

She carries all makes of major appliances and is hoping to extend into home furnishings in the future.

As far as the reconditioned appliances go, she says that they are all rebuilt from "the ground up."

"They get a complete overhaul from A to Z," said her service technician Tim Ries.

Ries, a licenced service technician is available on a weekly basis for in-house repairs.

If you're looking to buy brand new, then sales manager Cheryl Fendley is in-store to answer all

your questions and concerns.

Fendley's son Wesley Schaumleffel also is employed at the store, working as a junior assistant.

Maloch, a former insurance salesperson in Calgary, says it was "basically fate" that brought her to Didsbury.

About a month ago, she says she was on her way back from Edmonton after making a delivery, when she hit a bad patch of fog and decided to stop in Didsbury.

She checked into a local motel and then headed across the street to a restaurant for supper.

While eating, she noticed the Didsbury Appliance name on her placemat and decided to inquire about the business.

It just so happens that Jans and Edna Janssen were planning on closing their store down, so Maloch made them an offer and here she is.

"It's a very good business," she said.

"Everything has a warranty when it leaves the store because people need to be serviced."

Maloch invites you down to check out her new and reconditioned stock or to just have a coffee and a visit.



READY AND WAITING
Owner Lorraine Molach and Sales Manager Cheryl Fendley are ready to answer all your questions at the Didsbury Appliance Centre.

Photo by Nicole Smith

New Centre for Innovation building a go at Olds College

Olds College will be the first college in Western Canada to build its own research and development centre.

Construction of a new addition to the James Murray Building to house Olds College's Centre for Innovation (OCCI) will start in the fall.

The \$1.25 million structure, featuring the Scotiabank Atrium, should be in full use by September 2001.

"We're really just starting, but we've made steady progress since our official opening last fall," says OCCI Chief Operating Officer Rick Tofani.

"Our new building will soon be underway we are hiring new research staff, base funding is secure and our first projects are starting. The Centre will put Olds College and Alberta in the forefront of agricultural sector applied research and product development."

The Centre is in the process of hiring two research scientists to work full-time on contract research. One of OCCI's first projects is a major soil compaction study for Caterpillar, headed up by Greg Reinhardt, the College's Precision Farming co-ordinator. Other projects involve new technology for cattle identification and development of a National Fibre Centre, using fibre from such exotic species as alpaca and llamas.

More than \$5 million is already committed to OCCI, most recently \$500,000 from the Canada - Alberta Western Economic-Partnership Agreement and Alberta Agriculture for a pilot processing facility for new products from crops. Other funders include AVAC, the Agriculture and Food Council and Alberta Economic Development.

OCCI, a wholly owned subsidiary of Olds College, is currently housed in temporary offices in the James Murray Building. The new structure will replace aging greenhouses and storage facilities on the north end of that building.

Alberta beef retail project expands across province

The May long weekend marks the start of barbecue season, and to assist consumers with their beef purchasing decisions, the Alberta Cattle Commission (ACC) will be expanding its beef retail project throughout the province this summer.

Beef experts will be located at select supermarket meat counters to answer consumers' questions about how to select and cook different cuts of beef while working within their budget and lifestyle.

"The ACC realizes retail

stores are very busy with limited staff resources. Retail meat managers and their staff don't have time to encourage and answer all of the consumers' questions at the meat counter. As a result, the beef retail project piloted in Calgary last year is now being expanded across the province", says Michael Bird, ACC beef promotion committee chairman.

The goal of the project is to increase consumer satisfaction by answering questions about the varied beef cuts and cooking methods, and to address

consumer questions about pasture to plate production.

Bird explains, "the investment of producer check-off funds in this project has already shown it's a successful program which will increase consumer satisfaction and sell more Alberta beef."

The next phase of the Alberta beef retail project starts off with sessions at two Calgary Co-ops: Thursday, May 18 from 3 - 7 pm at the South Trail location and Friday, May 19 from 3 - 7 at the Deer Valley store.

Diners to benefit from new beef guide

Alberta restaurants and their customers will soon be able to benefit from the new Cooking Beef to Perfection available from the Beef Information Centre (B.I.C.). The initial response from major foods shows in Edmonton and Winnipeg was termed excellent.

The four-part guide is the result of restaurant surveys which concluded that when it comes to steak, the number one complaint was the steak wasn't done to the customer's liking.

Marty Carpenter, Alberta Cattle Commission foodservice manager, explains "the first part

of the restaurant kit is a steak cutting guide that illustrates how to cut a top sirloin and a strip loin correctly."

The second part is a laminated cooking chart for the kitchen that helps cooks and chefs understand how to cook steaks correctly, how to man-

age the grill, and correctly test for doneness."

The key is part three of the kit which is directed at servers a card with a number of key phrases and terms to reference different doneness levels.

"When a customer comes to

a restaurant, their idea of a medium well steak and the cook's idea of a medium well steak could mean two different things. The server and customer will be able to make sure they understand the doneness level."

The fourth part of the Cooking Beef to Perfection guide outlines how to bring all the facets of the program together successfully in a restaurant.

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EUB issues 1999 reserves report

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Crude Oil

At the end of 1999, Alberta's remaining established reserves of crude oil were estimated at 28.1 billion cubic metres (m3), including

- In situ crude bitumen reserves of 22.6 billion m3, of which 0.5 billion m3 are from lands under active development;

- Surface-mineable crude reserves of 5.2 billion m3, of which 1.4 billion m3 are under active development;

- Conventional crude oil reserves of 0.3 billion m3.

Compared to 1998, this represents an increase of 22.2 billion m3 of in situ crude bitumen reserves, a 1.1 billion m3 reductions surface-mineable crude bitumen, and a 0.0136 billion m3 decrease in conventional oil.

In previous reserve reports, the EUB limited the reporting of in situ reserves to those areas under active development. As noted in the 1998 report, a review was undertaken to estimate in situ recovery from those oil sands deposits, that are amenable to in situ recovery methods. This review resulted in a revised estimate of initial established reserves for in situ 22.74 billion m3, compared to 0.57 billion m3 in 1998. This significant increase is primarily a change in how the EUB reports reserves. However, the EUB believes it more realistically reflects the potential in Alberta for recovery of bitumen through in situ methods. These reserve estimates will be refined in the future as improved mapping provides better information on the in place reserve and actual performance leads to better

information on recovery processes used to extract the reserves.

The reduction in surface-mineable reserves is a result of higher bitumen cutoffs, an updated economic strip ration and the use of revised geological modelling techniques. The initial mineable volume in place of crude bitumen resource within the potentially mineable areas is estimated to be 9.4 billion m3, down last year's estimate of 11.2 billion m3. Reduction factors result in an initial established mineable reserve of crude bitumen of 5.6 billion m3, down from 6.7 billion m3 in 1998.

For conventional crude oil, EUB estimates show that Alberta's remaining established reserves at the end of 1999 stood at 302 million m3, a reduction of 13.6 million m3 from 1998. New pool discoveries and development of existing pools added 12.8 million m3 to initial established reserves, while new and expanded enhanced recovery schemes added 2.1 million m3. With net reserve reassessments of 16.7 million m3, a total of 31.6 million m3 were added to initial established reserves. Total additions, including reassessments, represents 69 per cent of Alberta's conventional oil production in 1999 of 45.4 million m3.

Natural Gas

EUB estimates show that Alberta's remaining established natural gas reserves at the end of 1999 stood at 1207 billion m3, a reduction of 32.7 billion m3. The initial established reserves attributable to new pools discovered in 1999 were 3805 billion m3, up from 13.4 billion m3 from 1998. Development of existing reserves resulted in an increase of 40.5 billion m3 and reassessment of existing pools lead to a net increase of 30.7 billion m3 of initial established reserves. The total addition of 109.7 billion m3 represents 77 per cent of Alberta's gas production in 1999 of 142.3 billion m3. This represents 48 per cent of the EUB's estimate of the ultimate potential for natural gas.



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Guarded optimism surrounds transportation reform

Wile Rose Agricultural Producers President Neil Wagstaff was guardedly optimistic with the federal government's recent announcement on grain handling and transportation reform.

He says that the government should be congratulated for finally introducing transportation reforms that reflect the wishes of a majority of producers.

Wagstaff said, "We realize that this is not the perfect solution and that there are a number of details that need to be worked out, however, we now know where to begin and that is the most important consideration."

In reviewing the government's proposals, there are a number of areas that need to be sorted out. Wagstaff said that the most disappointing aspect of the proposal was that the government delayed action in introducing competition into the rail sector.

"One of the primary reasons we supported a revenue cap was that with effective competition in the rail sector, the revenue cap would become a safeguard for producers," said Wagstaff. He went on to say, "that with the delayed introduction of competitive measures, the revenue cap may become a revenue target for the railways. This summer's review becomes an extremely important exercise since the government has opted out of making any sort of a decision regarding competition."

Although somewhat pleased with a lower revenue cap level than what was suggested by Arthur Kroeger, Wagstaff believes the level could have been even further reduced.

"The 13.5% reduction compared to 1998 levels is significant," said Wagstaff, "but we feel it could have gone farther. With this reduction, this still leaves the railways with a significant profit margin of 32-37% for transporting grain."

Furthermore, this is coming on the heels of the release of the first quarter financial statements of CN and CP in which they have received a combined \$100 million more in gross revenue in the grain and fertilizer transportation side of their businesses when compared to the same period last year."

Wagstaff applauded the federal government for recognizing the dam-

ages that changes to the grain transportation system has caused on the rural road system.

"This certainly represents a starting point from which rural mu-

nicipalities can begin to plan," said Wagstaff. Wagstaff was also pleased with the two-tiered final offer arbitration process that will allow small ship-

pers of grains and oil seeds, including producer cars, access to a quick and cost effective dispute resolution mechanism.

"The introduction of

mandatory tendering limits by the Canadian Wheat Board needs to be examined closely to ensure producers are the primary beneficiary," Wagstaff went on

to say, "It is quite apparent that the independent monitoring panel will have a lot of influence on how the system will be rationalized."

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EUB denies request for inquiry into oil and gas operations in Hythe-Beaverlodge area

On October 21, 1998 the Alberta Energy and Utilities Board (EUB/Board) received a letter on behalf of the Ludwig, Schilthuis, Boonstra, Wright, Bryzgorni, and Johnstone families, and Dr. William O. Scott, all of whom at the time lived near Hythe and Beaverlodge, Alberta. The letter, and an additional supporting letter dated November 24, 1998, requested that the EUB hold an inquiry into oil and gas activity in their area, as well as concerns about alleged increasing community frustration and intentional damage to petroleum facilities. The application was made under section 22 at the Energy Resources Conservation Act, which allows the Board to conduct an inquiry into matters related to oil and gas operations.

During the Board's consideration of this request, Weibo Ludwig and Richard Boonstra were charged with criminal offences related to damage of oil and gas facilities in northwestern Alberta. On March 8, 1999 the Board issued a letter to the applicants' legal counsel indicating that it would defer consideration of the inquiry request until criminal proceedings had concluded. The trial of the two individuals resulted in convictions being against them on April 19, 2000.

Today, the Board is denying the request for an inquiry. Primary reasons include the following:

- Oil and gas operations identified by the applicants have been conducted in compliance with the terms of the respective companies' approvals, licenses and permits within provincial environmental standards. Only a minimal number of exceptions have occurred, and in those instances individual companies and the EUB have taken appropriate action.

- There is no objective evidence that the deleterious effects identified by the applicants are caused by the lawful activities of energy companies operating in the Hythe area.

- The applicants, especially those at Tridale Creek farm (of the Ludwig, Schilthuis and Boonstra families), have consistently demonstrated a lack of co-operation over the years in participating in reasonable efforts initiated by the EUB and three companies funded the costs of the Ludwigs' participation. The other applicants, with the exception of Mr. Allan Johnstone, chose not to participate.

On June 4, 1998 about 60 members from the public, companies, government agencies (Alberta Environment, Alberta Health and Wellness, Alberta Agriculture, Food and Rural Development) and EUB staff were in attendance at the Beaverlodge Community Hall. The Ludwig's arrived late and refused to participate, apart from reading a prepared statement to the effect that the meeting was an inappropriate forum in which to discuss their concerns. They then left the meeting. In the Board's view, the meeting could have led to an on going process whereby appropriate medical, veterinary soil, water and air test-

ing could have been conducted with the Ludwigs' input. Through their last-minute refusal to participate, they rejected this reasonable approach to address their specific complaints.

The family had also refused earlier offers from oil and gas companies to assist them in this regard. They have shown little,

if any, interest in cooperating with objective testing of air, soil and water on their properties. Direct offers of assistance by the EUB and industry to conduct testse have met with outright

rejection. Given the lack of objective evidence and the unwillingness to participate in processes that would help gather such evidence, the October 1998 request for a public inquiry.



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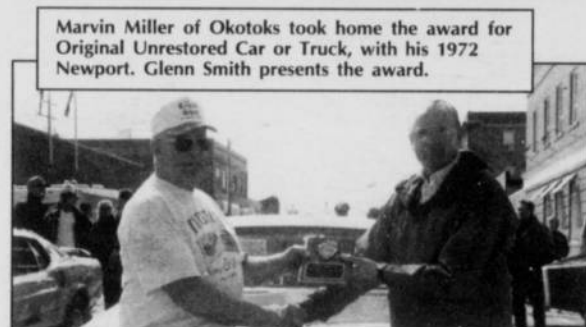
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Glenn Smith presents James Tainsh of Didsbury with the award for Best Sports Car for his 1968 Mustang Convertible.

Local ropers tossing quick lasso at rodeos lately

By Barry Williams

Tie those critters down, boys! Local calf ropers were tossing a quick lasso during the first weekend in May at Canadian Professional Rodeo Association sanctioned rodeos in Stavelly, Bonnyville and Leduc.

Carstairs roper Joe Lucas, a veteran roper of twenty years, flanked two rodeos with first place winnings in Leduc and Stavelly and a sixth place finish at Bonnyville for

a fist full of dollars totalling just over \$2,500.

At the Leduc Black Gold Rodeo "Smokin Joe" tied his calf in 8.7 seconds for \$1,262 while, at the Stavelly Indoor Rodeo he flanked the critter in 8.7 seconds pocketing \$1,208.

His luck ran out at the Bonnyville Pro Rodeo as he settled for an 8.9 time to take home just \$66.

After having a fairly silent year last season on the rodeo circuit, Innisfail roper

Bruce Christie is on his way for another run at the Canadian finals Rodeo as he has moved into the top ten in the CPRA standings by placing second at Bonnyville winning \$953 with a time of 8.4.

Meanwhile, at Stavelly he finished second with a time of 8.9 for earnings of \$791. There was no black gold for Christie in Leduc as he finished in eighth pocketing only \$55.

Other calf ropers to flank money at the weekend rodeos were three time CPRA champion

Cliff Williamson with \$375 at Stavelly; Tim Williamson tying down \$1,098 at Leduc and Mad-den roper D.J. Cairns with earnings of \$208 in Stavelly.

Water Valley bull rider Jeff Whitlow was in the heat of the Stavelly Rodeo as he rode C+Rodeo's Heat for an impressive 90 to capture the bull riding championship worth \$1,357.

At Leduc Whitlow, who has crept into the top ten in CPRA bull riding standings, managed to win \$370.

Riding back on Canadian soil, Big Valley bull rider, Kelly Armstrong, currently in 11th in the Crown Royal/ Professional Rodeo cowboy's Association World Standings, is slowly making a mark on the 2000 CPRA circuit as he picked up third place finishes

at Stavelly and Bonnyville pocketing \$1,234 over the week end.

Armstrong, who has qualified twice for the National Finals Rodeo, spent the winter rodeoing on the PRCA Wrangler Winter Rodeo Tour.

Olds bareback rider, bill Boyd, continued his winning ways by capturing the bareback event in Stavelly by spurring out an 83 aboard Vold Rodeo's Montego Major.

The win worth \$949 increased Boyd's current CPRA bareback lead with winnings of \$ 7,507.

The next rodeos on the CPRA circuit open their chutes on the upcoming Victoria Day long weekend in British Columbia at Cloverdale, Luxton and Falkland.



DHS students take in 5 km Bloomsday Run last weekend



By Robert Magee

Nine Didsbury High School students travelled down to Spokane, Washington May 7 to take part in the annual Bloomsday Run.

The 12 km run is one of the largest cross-country treks of its kind in North America.

Darren Henry and Per Nordgren, in Grade 12; Kurt Toth, Christi Fillmore, Erica Blakely, Lisa Dahl and Nicole Plewis, in Grade 11; Jody Dalziel in Grade 10; and Troy Schwandt in Grade 9 all attended the event. Teachers Mark Leggette and Annette Wirth supervised the trip.

"It was a lot of fun," said Fillmore.

"There were lots of Canadians. I had a Canadian flag through my ponytail and everytime I passed a Canadian we'd yell yeah Canada!"

Darren Henry had the best time among Didsbury students as he finished the treacherous run in one hour and five minutes. Coach Leggette did beat him out however, when he crossed through the finish line one minute before.

"It was a very successful trip," said Leggette, "we had an outstanding group of kids, they were just great."

Leggette feels that these trips help attract other athletes in

the school who have not thought of joining school teams.

"One of our objectives for cross-country is to try and get some kids out to provincials," said Leggette.

Most of the students, except for maybe Scwandt who had a

little trouble keeping his break-fast down in the middle of the race, thought it was a great time and not that difficult of a run.

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Woodward moving toward his goal

A mistake is responsible for Todd Woodward's promising pro steer wrestling career.

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But the announcer persisted, calling his name a good half dozen times.

Finally, with a little urging from a friend, Woodward gave in.

He got a little muddy on his first-ever bulldogging run, but he threw his steer ... and the rest is history.

Now the 6'5", 200 lb. cowboy can boast of making the Canadian Finals Rodeo in the steer wrestling in his rookie year as a professional in 1998.

And the year 2000 is also looking pretty good for the Cardston cowboy too, after a frustrating season in 1999.

This season, after a \$2,421 road trip last weekend he has won almost \$4,000 already and is fifth in the Canadian steer wrestling standings.

Woodward readjusted his attitude after finishing 14th with \$10,373 in earnings in 1999.

"I had a bad year last year," he explains. "I got done the

front, and made a pretty good run on him. At Bonnyville, they were 4.9 on him. I got a good enough start that he let off."

Helping out is Woodward's horse of almost four years, ten-year-old mare, Indy. She was a calf horse when he bought her, but he needed a mount quickly after his steer wrestling horse broke a leg and had to be put down.

"She was a good looking horse and the price was right," Woodward explains. "She's a little smaller than I like, but she's really filled out in the last year - she's kind of matured."

"She wanting to do it; she wants to run. I feel good about her; I've had some good practices with her."

Woodward usually practiced two or three times a week at arenas in Cardston or Magrath. He's hoping all the work over the winter will pay off with a top five finish in the Canadian standings and a return visit to the Canadian Finals.

Other standouts over the weekend were another couple of double winners at Leduc and Bonnyville, Joe Lucas and Karson Legault.

Legault took home \$2,458 in the double event, while Lucas

Aqua Jets hit the water again

The Didsbury Aqua Jet swim club is off and swimming into a new millennium season.

The club has three groups of swimmers: guppies, tadpoles and frogs.

The club boasts a total of 80 new and returning club members. Club members come from the areas of Didsbury, Water Valley, Olds, Sundre, Bowden, Carstairs, Airdrie and Irricana. This year the 'Jets' have two

visiting swimmers from Australia.

The coaching team for the Jets are Michael Johnson, Lynne Chernow and Patrick Palardy.

Swimmers will be competing at several meets throughout the summer. The first meet will be hosted by the Didsbury Aqua Jets in Didsbury on June 3. Spectators are welcome to come and cheer on the hometown talent. Other meets in Region E

will be held in Calgary, Innisfail, Trochu, High River, Canmore, Okotoks and Hanna. The swim season culminates with a qualifier Region E meet for Provincials mid August and Provincials in late August. This year Provincials will be in Edmonton. All the Jet swimmers are training hard and are looking forward to a very competitive swim season. "Train hard and swim fast, JETS."

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The successful candidate will have a post-secondary education in Office Administration or a related field and a minimum of one year of related work experience. Individuals with other combinations of education and experience may be considered. Strong organizational, interpersonal, and communications skills and the ability to handle multiple tasks are required. The successful candidate will be proficient in Microsoft Office (Word, Excel and Access) and have an attention for detail.

For further information on employment opportunities please visit our website at www.oldcollege.ab.ca/employop. Please forward a resume quoting competition #00057A by May 26, 2000. Applications may be sent by e-mail to employop@admin.oldcollege.ab.ca or in writing to:

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UPCOMING EVENTS

CARSTAIRS Wedding Shower

A bridal shower for Dixie Resta, bride-elect of Shawn Campbell will be held May 25 at 7:30 p.m. at Carstairs United Church. Potluck lunch. Everyone welcome.

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Bridal Shower

A mixed community bridal shower will be held for Nicole Murphy and Zach Morgan on June 23 at 7 p.m. at Westcott Hall. Potluck lunch. Everyone welcome.

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Mixed shower

A mixed shower for Christine Foat and Larry Filion will be held May 19 at 8 p.m. at Elkton School. Potluck lunch. Everyone welcome.

DIDSBURY

Bridal shower

A mixed shower for Jennifer Kleinloog and Frank Blaszcak will be held June 6 at 7:30 p.m. at Elkton School. Potluck lunch. Everyone welcome.

Due to the increase of upcoming events advertisements for the Program Page, effective immediately we will be running ads one week only. Ads should be no more than 20 words in length and have to be in the Review office by noon on Fridays.

ONGOING EVENTS

CARSTAIRS

RECYCLING DEPOT

Carstairs Lion's Recycling Depot is open every Saturday from 9 a.m. - 12:20 p.m.

CARSTAIRS T.O.P.S.

(Take Off Pounds Sensibly) welcomes new members. Meetings 7 p.m. Monday evenings at Carstairs Church of God. For info call Jean 637-3753, Darlene 946-4369 or Natalie 337-2351.

DIDSBURY

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

General Meeting-Second Monday of each month, 6:30 p.m. supper, 7 p.m. meeting 335-3265 RSVP

DIDSBURY TOPS

Take Off Pounds Sensibly! Come and join us every Wednesday evening. For more info call Stacey at 335-4487 or Joanne at 337-2614.

ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD

Didsbury Environmental Advisory Board meets once every two months at the Town Office. For info, call Wes at the Town Office at 335-3391

TOY LIBRARY

Kidding Around Parents Club Toy Library: As of July 1, open Saturdays 10 - 11:30 a.m. and Tuesdays from 10-11:30 a.m., at the Anglican Church Hall basement 2037 - 24 Ave. New members always welcome. Linda at 335-5868.

AA

Alcoholics Anonymous meetings. Fridays 8:30 p.m. at the Masonic Hall, Didsbury, 20 Ave. and 21 St. For information call Roxanne at 335-8322 or Rick at 335-9525.

TIME OUT

Mom's Time Out and Dads Too. We meet Monday mornings from 10 to 11:30 a.m. (excluding holidays) Nominal babysitting fee. Redeemer Lutheran Church. Ph. 335-9928.

KINGHIRAM LODGE

King Hiram Lodge #21 has its regular meetings at 8 p.m. every 2nd Tuesday of the month. For info, call Hans Lucas at 337-2250.

O.E.S. MEETING

St. Hilda Chapter #27 O.E.S. has its regular meetings at 7:30 p.m. every 3rd Tuesday of the month. For info, call Kay Johnston at 335-4060.

SONS OF NORWAY

Sons of Norway meets the 4th Monday of every month at 8 p.m. at Evergreen Centre in Olds. All welcome. Call 556-2401 or 337-2037 for more information.

DIDSBURY

DIDSBURY MUSEUM

Everyone is welcome. We have lots to see, take a look back in history. Donations are always welcome. Admission is \$2/adults and children and members free. The Museum is open on Wed., Thurs. and Fri. from 2-5 p.m. weekly and 2-4 p.m. on Saturdays during July and Aug. We're located at 2118 - 21st Ave. For more info, call 335-9295 during office hours.

RECYCLING DEPOT

Didsbury Lions Recycle Centre open Mon-Fri 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Accepting newspaper, office papers, magazines, junk mail, plastic milk jugs (please clean). Phone 335-8193. Use outside bins.

CASH BINGO

Didsbury Elks Cash Bingo every Tuesday. Doors open 6:00 p.m., Nickel Bingo at 6:45. Regular bingo at 7:30 p.m. Didsbury Elks Hall.

LIONS

Lions Handi Bus in town service Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Wheelchair accessible Call Lloyd Kenyon at 335-2363.

PLAYGROUP

A non-profit, parent run, social and educational program for children 3-5 years is now accepting on-going registrations. Drop-off rates available. Call 335-8039 or 335-8818.

INFORMATION

Mountain View La Leche League, a group which offers information and support for breastfeeding mothers. We also meet the 3rd Tuesday evenings of each month. Phone 335-8864 or 335-2331 for information and meeting location.

BEAVER'S

Beaver's Monday 7 - 8 p.m. at Eldon Foote Hall. Kids 5 to 7 years old, boys and girls welcome.

OUT OF SCHOOL CARE

Just Done For Fun out of school care program runs each school day at Ross Ford. For more information call 335-8168.

AL-ANON

Al-Anon meetings for families of alcoholics held every Friday. For more info call 335-3146 or 335-9787.

BRIDGE CLUB

Mountain View Bridge Club meets every Wednesday from 7-10 p.m. at the Masonic Star Hall, 2037-21 Avenue, Didsbury. All bridge players welcome! For more info: 335-8375 or 638-2757.

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SUPPORT GROUP

ADD/ADHD Support Group. For parents and families dealing with attention deficit disorder. For more info call Sheree 335-8612.

GAMBLERS ANONYMOUS

Tuesday nights at 7 p.m. in education room (lower level) at Didsbury Hospital.

HOME HELP ASSOCIATION

The Didsbury and District Association is a locally run non-profit society attempting to coordinate volunteer or fee for service assistance. Call 507-9063.

A.D.D. SUPPORT

Learning Disabilities Association. Support, information, workshops, seminars, resource materials, films and tapes. Meets last Tuesday of each month, 7 p.m. in the Didsbury Hospital Physiotherapy Conference Room. Contact Sam at 556-7614 eves. or Susan 335-3174.

LONE PINE

T.O.P.S

Take Off Pounds Sensibly meets every Friday at 9 a.m. at Lone Pine Hall. For information call Doreen at 335-4514.

OLDS

MEETING

Adoption Support Group of Olds and area meet the 3rd Tuesday of every month. For more information contact Susan at 335-8540.

PUBLIC SPEAKING

Join the Mountain View Presenters (MVP) Toastmasters Club in Olds. Meetings every Tuesday at Olds College, Room 108, at 7 p.m. starting September 9. For further info, call Judy Dahl at 556-7119 or Malissa at 556-8520.

SUPPORT GROUP

Fibromyalgia Support Group 4th Thursday of every month. For time and place, contact Mel Terpstra 335-3527 for info.

SUNDRE

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS Wednesdays, 8-9 p.m. in the basement of the Anglican Church. Ron 638-2736.

ALA TEEN

Ala Teen, Sundre United Church Basement, Wednesday 7:00 p.m. More info 638-3277.

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